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Falls City, Nebraska

THE REV. H. C. CORDTS, PASTOR

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New Congregations and Pastoral Charges

Rev. W. W. Alexander....1940-43 Rev. J. C. Miller.....1941-44
Rev. G. K. Rubrecht.....1942-45

Parish Promotion

Rev. C. H. Berhenke, (Chairman) Rev. W. W. Alexander, (Church School); Rev. G. K. Rubrecht, (Women of the Church); Rev. A. H. Pinkall, (Men of the Church); Rev. W. S. Livers, (Youth of the Church); Rev. Paul Wiegman, (Children of the Church).

Protocol

Rev. V. Baird Rev. K. Gigstad Rev. S. K. de Freese

Reference and Counsel

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Rev. J. B. Rupley, Sr. Mr. Wm. Kedde Rev. L. H. Lesher
Mr. F. E. Wood Mr. L. W. Rodenbrock

Synodical Paper

President of Synod and Conference Presidents

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Rev. A. H. Pinkall.....1940-43 Mr. Gus Prestegaard.....1940-43
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Mr. O. L. Sturtevant.....1942-44

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Rev. V. Baird

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Rev. A. O. Frank

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Mrs. O. L. Sturtevant and Rev. G. K. Rubrecht 1938-42
Rev. E. C. Mortensen and Rev. A. O. Frank 1940-43
Rev. W. W. Alexander and Mrs. Oscar Johnston.....1941-44

CALENDAR FOR 1943

The 71st Annual Convention will be held in First Lutheran Church, North Platte, Nebraska, Rev. G. Keller Rubrecht, D. D., pastor, May 10, 11, 12, 1943.

Synodical Sermon by the President of Synod.

Ordination Sermon, Rev. W. A. Klink; Alternate, Dr. A. O. Frank.

Chaplain, Dr. W. H. Traub; Alternate, Rev. Harold Henriksen.

Chorister, Rev. G. Gieschen.

Organist, Rev. H. J. Goede.

DELEGATES TO U. L. C. A. CONVENTION, 1942

Clerical

Rev. J. C. Hershey Rev. L. H. Lesher Rev. G. K. Rubrecht
Rev. W. A. Klink Rev. A. O. Frank

Alternate-Clerical

Rev. A. H. Pinkall Rev. H. C. Cordts Rev. E. F. Rohlfing
Rev. T. D. Rinde Rev. C. H. Berhenke

Lay

H. Wochner O. L. Sturtevant O. Nelson
A. J. Manser A. T. Yost

Alternate-Lay

W. A. Heuer E. Deckert S. A. Wassum
C. R. Miller Percy Seymour

ROLL OF SYNOD

	Pastor	Address	Year Ordained	Ent. Synod	Parish	Delegate
1.	Alexander, W. W.,	Hooper	1935	1934	Grace, Hooper	A. E. Hecker
					St. John's, Vacoma	Peter Katt
2.	Baird, V.,	Rising City	1938	1937	First, Rising City	Clarence Glock
* 3.	Baltzly, O. D., Ph. D., D. D., LL. D.,	2602 Farnam, Omaha	1896	1911	Pastor Emeritus, Kountze Memorial, Omaha	
4.	Berhenke, C. H.,	2544 N. 61 St., Omaha	1935	1935	First, Omaha	B. Owen*
** 5.	Chittenden, W. J.,	Upland	1936	1936		
6.	Cordts, H. C.,	304 W. 20th, Falls City	1926	1925	St. Paul's, Falls City	J. Wallraff****
*** 7.	Cress, F. L.,	Allen	1928	1936	First, Allen	C. Larson**
8.	Davis, R. V.,	Scribner	1930	1929	United Scribner	Wm. Low**
					Emmanuel, Snyder	A. Musback**
** 9.	Daubenspeck, W. M.,	Seward, Alaska	1929	1929	Chaplain U. S. A.	
****10.	de Freese, K.,	Columbus	1942	1941	United, Columbus	
11.	Delo, F. S.,	Hardy (Supply)	1894	1938	St. Paul's, Hardy	J. Kohl**
**12.	Dorner, E. A.,		1929	1929	Chaplain U. S. A.	
13.	Dumler, H.,	Davenport	1926	1925	Christ's, Davenport	M. Lambert**
14.	Estrada, D.,	South America	1931	1931	Missionary	
*15.	Flora, G. R.,	Sidney	1936	1935	Missionary on furlough	
16.	Frank, A. O., D. D.,	325 E. 10th, Fremont	1923	1940	Salem, Fremont	Wm. Weick
***17.	Frederick, P. W. H., D. D.,	1653 N. Colson, Fremont	1900	1931	Professor at Western Seminary	
****18.	Frederick, S.,	Hubbard	1937	1937	Homer-Hubbard	
***19.	Gieschen, G.,	Wayne	1922	1934	St. Paul's, Wayne	J. Grimm**
20.	Gigstad, K.,	Hampton	1941	1940	Emmanuel, Hampton	G. Newman*
21.	Goede, H. J.,	1310 S. 26th, Omaha	1930	1938	Grace, Omaha	E. Stevens
*22.	Guss, W. I., D. D.,	127 N. 40th, Omaha	1899	1919	Retired	
23.	Harman, C. B., D. D.,	225 E. Ashton, Grand Island	1900	1909	Trinity, Wolbach	
***24.	Haugse, E. N.,	South Sioux City	1935	1935	First, South Sioux City	E. Berggren**
*25.	Hartwig, G. H.,	Fremont	1901	1941	Professor at Midland College	
26.	Heidenreich, W. C.,	Oshkosh	1906	1928	St. Mark's, Oshkosh	
					Grace, Lewellen	
27.	Henkel, F. W.,	Auburn	1926	1938	St. Paul's Auburn	H. Matschulatt
28.	Henriksen, H. M.,	Stamford	1935	1935	Trinity, Stamford	J. Lubeck**
29.	Hershey, J. C., D. D.,	350 W. 5th, Fremont	1917	1917	President of Synod	
***30.	Joens, H.,	Dakota City	1929	1929	... alem, Dakota City	A. Armbright***
31.	Johnson, R.,	2602 Farnam, Omaha	1941	1941	Assistant at Kountze Memorial, Omaha	
32.	Kahse, W. T., D. D.,	P. O. Box 123, Sidney	1905	1912	Sidney-Potter	M. Christensen
33.	Klink, W. A.,	West Point	1917	1917	Grace, West Point	A. J. Manser
**34.	Leamer, J. S., D. D.,	3404 17th, Columbus	1895	1940	Retired	
35.	Lesher, L. H., D. D.,	847 S. 14th, Lincoln	1921	1939	Grace, Lincoln	O. L. Sturtevant

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22 Lay delegates present.
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36.	Livers, W. S., Ponca	1932	1932	Salem, Ponca	W. Blecker**
37.	Machetzki, P. O., D. D., Box 365, Spring Grove, Pennsylvania	1915	1914	Missionary on furlough	
38.	Magalee, P. A., British Guiana, South America	1938	1938	Missionary	
39.	Mendenhall, A. L., Walton	1937	1936	Eagle-Walton	L. Everson
****40.	Mendenhall, G. N., Ph. D., D. D., Sterling, Kansas	1908	1922	Professor	
41.	Miller, J. C., Verdon	1915	1928	St. Mark's, Verdon	C. F. Werner
				Trinity, Stella	E. Wheeler
****42.	Moeller, G. E., 5211 Seward, Omaha	1932	1932	Luther Memorial, Omaha	O. Nelson
†43.	Moore, M. G., Platte Center	1942	1942		
††44.	Mortensen, E. C., Benedict	1920	1920	Zion, Benedict	J. H. Fusby**
*45.	Mortensen, G. E., Ft. Robinson, Arkansas	1920	1920	Chaplain U. S. A.	
46.	Motzkus, W., Leigh	1913	1940	St. John's, Leigh	G. Hollman
****47.	Naugle, C. J., 2602 Farnam, Omaha	1938	1938	Assistant at Kountze Memorial, Omaha	
48.	Pinkall, A. H., 3931 S. 23rd, Omaha	1930	1930	St. Luke's, Omaha	W. A. Heuer
49.	Rhine, J. S., Gurley	1933	1933	Gurley-Dalton	S. Ahlm**
50.	Rinde, T. D., D. D., 1406 N. Broad, Fremont	1924	1927	Dean of Western Seminary	
51.	Rohlfing, E. F., Broadwater	1935	1934	Messiah, Broadwater	O. Browning
52.	Rubrecht, G. K., D. D., 311, W. 5th, North Platte	1905	1928	First, North Platte	A. T. Yost
53.	Rupley, J. B., Sr., 503 W. 2nd, Grand Island	1915	1941	St. Paul's, Grand Island	A. McKenzie
54.	Rupley, J. B., Jr., York	1942	1941	First, York	H. Wochner
				First, McCool Junction	
†††55.	Saas, W. H., 214 N. 9th, Beatrice	1925	1924	Trinity, Beatrice	C. C. Yohe**
56.	Schuldt, T. J. C., 406 S. 9th, Nebraska City	1936	1936	First, Nebraska City	W. W. Metz**
57.	Simon, M. B., Spencer	1937	1936	United, Spencer	Mrs. M. W. Olin**
****58.	Traub, W. H., D. D., LL. D., 2602 Farnam, Omaha	1931	1931	Kountze Memorial, Omaha	P. Palmquist****
*59.	Wiegman, F. C., D. D., Midland College, Fremont	1927	1927	President of Midland College	
60.	Wiegman, P., Tekamah	1940	1940	Emmanuel, Tekamah	T. Lipps
61.	Wood, E. G., Chirala Guntur, India	1929	1929	Missionary	
62.	de Freese, P., Fremont, (Licentiate)		1942	First, Wilber	
63.	Vacant			Emmanuel, Dakota City	
64.	Vacant			St. Luke's, Emerson	
65.	Vacant			First, Ericson	
66.	Vacant			St. Paul's Hildreth	
67.	Vacant			Our Redeemer, Omaha	V. B. Elseffer
68.	Vacant			St. Mark's, Omaha	
69.	Vacant			Trinity, Paxton	
70.	Vacant			Grace, Sutherland	
71.	Delegate at large, North Platte Conference				O. Nelson
72.	Delegate at large, South Platte Conference				H. Taft****

*Absent and excused
**Absent and not excused
***Absent part time and excused
****Absent part time and not excused
†Transferred to Midwest Synod
††Now Serving Paxton-Sutherland
†††Now Chaplain U. S. A.

DATES AND PLACES OF THE MEETINGS OF SYNOD

Date	Place	
1871	Omaha	
1872	No Meeting	Absence of Quorum
1873	No Meeting	No meeting appointed
1874	Fontenelle	
1875	Nebraska City	
1876	Omaha	
1877	West Point	
1878	Nebraska City	
1879	Febing	
1880	Ponca	
1881	Tekamah	
1882	Waverly	
1883	Tekamah	
1884	Ponca	
1885	Grand Island	German Church
1886	Auburn	
1887	Beatrice	
1888	Rising City	
1889	Grand Island	English Church
1890	Denver, Colo.	Only meeting out of State
1891	Beatrice	
1892	Ponca	
1893	Lincoln	St. Mark's Church
1894	West Point	
1895	Wayne	
1896	Stella	
1897	Dakota City	Salem Church, near Dakota City
1898	Nebraska City	
1899	Beatrice	
1900	Pawnee City	
1901	West Point	
1902	North Platte	
1903	Benedict	
1904	Ponca	
1905	Wilbur	
1906	Omaha	Grace Church
1907	Grand Island	
1908	Hardy	
1909	Auburn	
1910	Beatrice	
1911	Omaha	Kountze Memorial
1912	North Platte	
1913	West Point	
1914	Allen	
1915	Lincoln	Grace Church
1916	Omaha	St. Luke's Church
1917	Grand Island	
1918	Fremont	
1919	Omaha	Grace Church
1920	North Platte	
1921	Wayne	
1922	Ponca	
1923	Emerson	
1924	Omaha	St. Mark's Church
1925	Rising City	
1926	Auburn	
1927	Fremont	
1928	Nebraska City	
1929	Omaha	Church of Our Redeemer
1930	Davenport	
1931	Stamford	
1932	West Point	
1933	Omaha, Kountze Memorial	
1934	Leigh	
1935	South Sioux City	
1936	Sidney	
1937	Allen	
1938	Fremont	
1939	York	
1940	Grand Island	
1941	Hooper	
1942	Falls City	

MINUTES

COMMUNION SERVICE—MONDAY AFTERNOON

The Seventieth Annual Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska convened in St. Paul's Lutheran Church at Falls City, Nebraska, the Rev. H. C. Cordts, pastor, at two o'clock, Monday afternoon, May 4, 1942.

The Preparatory and Holy Communion Services were in charge of the President and Secretary. Sixty pastors and lay delegates communed.

BROTHERHOOD CONVENTION AND BANQUET

At three-thirty o'clock Monday afternoon the State Brotherhood held its annual convention with President Wm. F. Kedde presiding. The Brotherhood Banquet was held at six-thirty p. m. The address at the banquet was given by Dr. L. H. Lesher, pastor of Grace Lutheran Church, Lincoln, Nebraska. (See Brotherhood Minutes on Page 53 for further details.)

TUESDAY MORNING—MAY 5, 1942

The Devotional Services at 8:45 o'clock Tuesday morning were conducted by Chaplain C. B. Harman, assisted by the Rev. E. F. Rohlfing.

The Formal Opening of Synod was conducted by President J. C. Hershey at 9:30 a. m.

The roll of Synod was called, forty-two pastors and twenty-three lay delegates being present.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel presented its Report. The Report was adopted.

The bar of Synod was set to include all pews in front of the last posts in the auditorium.

The President of Synod presented his Report and referred it to the Committee on President's Report.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

Grace, Mercy and Peace be with you. Amen.

The Evangelical Lutheran Synod is the welcome guest of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Falls City, located in one of the richest, if not the richest, counties of the state. We are meeting in a community in which oil is flowing freely and which promises to become a leading industry of our commonwealth. Nebraska is changing rapidly in another way. At least six defense plants are in the process of erection. This means not only the shifting of our population but an influx from other states. Many of our young people, both men and women, are enlisting in some kind of war service. All this means that we must adjust ourselves to a fluctuating population. There is no time for idleness.

Another problem which has been slowly creeping upon us during the drought years is a decreasing income for our people.

The pastor has been no exception. Salaries are among the lowest in the United Lutheran Church. Because of this many of our pastors have gone to other Synods. We are happy to report that many congregations have increased their pastors' salaries this past year. A few did it willingly without the president insisting upon it. More of our time was given to this one item of business than any other during the year. The result is that twenty-nine congregations have increased their pastors' salaries.

The missionary interest is increasing in many parishes, however, quite a number had no accessions from non-church homes. Out of thirty-two reports received, twenty-four reported attendance increasing and eight reported the attendance either stationary or decreasing, some were not sure which way it was going.

During the past five years we have had an increase of 777 communing members. The apportioned benevolence has been steadily increasing each year. But the per capita contribution for apportioned benevolence has decreased eight cents. The Church School enrollment is still on the down grade.

Evangelism and stewardship needs our attention. The field is ripe unto the harvest. Let us pray the Lord of the harvest that we may have a larger vision of our task and greater zeal to carry on the work he has committed to our care.

Statement of Official Acts—Calls Accepted (Within Synod)

Columbus: The Rev. Kenneth de Freese, effective June 1, 1942.
York-McCool: The Rev. John B. Rupley, Jr., effective June 1, 1942.
Dakota City, Salem: The Rev. H. Joens, effective June 1, 1941.
Paxton: The Rev. E. C. Mortensen, effective May 18, 1942.
Scribner: The Rev. R. V. Davis, effective December 1, 1941.
South Sioux City: The Rev. E. N. Haugse, effective July 15, 1941.

Calls Accepted (To Other Synods) and Dismissals

The Rev. L. H. de Freese, Houston, Texas, June 1, 1941. The Rev. C. M. N. Alexander, Hillsdale, Michigan, September 1, 1941. The Rev. W. A. Voss, Sioux City, Iowa, December 15, 1941. The Rev. G. P. Krebs, Des Moines, Iowa, March 9, 1942. The Rev. W. C. Stump, Muskego Lake, Wisconsin, May 1, 1942.

Ordination

The Rev. Karl Gigstad, graduate of The Western Theological Seminary. was ordained April 30, 1941, at the Synodical meeting at Hooper, Nebraska.

Licensure

Kenneth de Freese and John B. Rupley, Jr., seniors at The Western Theological Seminary, were licensed for one year at the Synodical meeting at Hooper, April 30, 1941.

Vacancies

Bruning: The Methodists continue to worship in our building.

Dakota City, Emmanuel: Rev. H. Joens is conducting services every Sunday at 5:00 P. M. in this church.

Hardy: The Rev. S. F. Delo continues to supply for this congregation. He informs me that he will resign to become effective September 1st. Rev. Delo has been doing good work, and we regret his health will not permit him to continue longer.

Wilber: Until March 1, 1942 Kenneth de Freese was the regular supply pastor. Since then his brother Paul has become the supply pastor.

York-McCool: John B. Rupley, Jr. has been supplying these congregations for more than one year.

Ericson: This congregation has had no services since the resignation of Rev. E. N. Haugse July 15, 1941.

Sutherland: Supplied by students and professors of The Western Theological Seminary.

Hildreth: Supplied part of the year by Rev. C. B. Harman and now by Harold Lorimer, a first year student of the seminary.

Columbus: Supplied by the president of Synod, professors of the seminary and occasionally by students. Rev. Kenneth de Freese is now supplying this parish regularly until June 1, 1942.

Redeemer: Supplied by professors of the Seminary and occasionally by students and others.

Paxton: Supplied by professors and students of the seminary.

Wolbach: Supplied regularly by Dr. C. B. Harman.

Anniversaries

Gurley: Celebrated 25th Anniversary June 15, 1941. Speakers were Dr. W. T. Kahse and Dr. F. C. Wiegman.

Wayne: Celebrated 60th Anniversary October 5th, 1941. Speakers were Rev. J. H. Fetterolf, Rev. W. C. Heidenreich, and Dr. J. C. Hershey.

Walton: Celebrated its 25th Anniversary August 24, 1941. The speaker was Dr. J. C. Hershey.

Eagle: Celebrated its 50th Anniversary April 19, 1942. The speaker was Rev. R. E. Rangeler.

Benedict: Celebrated its 60th Anniversary June 22, 1941. The speaker was Dr. J. C. Hershey.

Rising City: Celebrated its 60th Anniversary June 22, 1941. The speaker was Rev. Charles R. Lowe.

Nebraska City: Celebrated its 75th Anniversary October 26, 1941. The speakers were Dr. T. D. Rinde, Dr. F. C. Wiegman, and Dr. W. H. Traub. Dr. J. C. Hershey delivered greetings from Synod.

Installations

The Rev. Karl Gigstad, Hampton, June 1, 1941.
The Rev. E. N. Haugse, South Sioux City, July 20, 1941.
The Rev. H. Joens, Dakota City, Salem, July 27, 1941.
The Rev. R. V. Davis, Scribner-Snyder, December 7, 1941.

Improvements

Lewellen: Ladies finished the basement of the church to be used as social rooms, cost $350.00. Luther League built side walk, cost $32.00.

Davenport: New roof for the church, cost $500.00.

South Sioux City: Floors in the basement of the church sanded and varnished. New outdoor bulletin board, venetian blinds in pastor's study, cost, $107.00.

Verdon: New roof on church and other repairs, cost $600.00.

Stella: Redecorated the inside of the church, cost $40.00.

Leigh: Paid off debts amounting to $500.00 and purchased paint for parsonage.

Wolbach: Altar "Fair Linen" and pulpit and lecturn antependia for the Church Seasons, beginning with Easter. Three dozen Parish and Church School hymnals.

Dalton: New ceiling on basement, cost $50.00.

Gurley: New roof on parsonage, cost $110.00.

Allen: Wall replastered and painted in basement Sunday School room and chairs redecorated, cost $30.00. First floor rooms in parsonage repainted at cost of $17.00, labor donated. Paid on church debt $116.00. Landscaping around church and parsonage.

Lincoln: Redecorating interior of church and papering in parsonage, cost $300.00.

Omaha, First Church: Organ paid in full, cost $1500.00. New oak chancel rail and kneeling cushions, cost $250.00. New oak bulletin boards (hymn boards), cost $85.00. New side walk, cost $60.00. New steel chairs, club room, flourescent lights, $140.00. 27 white confirmation robes, cost $60.00.

Omaha, St Luke's: Paved strip of alley, cost, $30.00. Lighting of chancel, cost, $25.00.

Omaha, Grace: Sexton's home redecorated inside and out, cost $60.00.

Wayne: Redecorated church, cost $120.00. New rug for chancel, $150.00. Altar cross, cost $37.00. United States and Christian flags, cost $30.00. Rebuilt and painted garage, cost $50.

Walton: Furnace in church, cost $287.00. With exception of $16.00 funds were raised through God's Acre plan. Daily devotion books distributed at both churches, cost $12.00. Common Service Books replaced the Book of Worship. Other improvements costing $50.00. Boy Scouts and Campfire girls organized and operating successfully.

Eagle: Ceiling lowered and replaced with Celotex blocks. Plaster patched, walls newly papered and woodwork varnished, cost $125.00. Common Service Books secured to replace The Book of Worship.

Rising City: Continuing its "pay as you go" building program, the church laid 125 feet of side walk in front of the church at a cost of $75.00. The labor was donated. All drouth-killed trees have been replaced and considerable shrubbery set out. Two dozen hymn books have been procured. The parking space has been enlarged, regraded, and made more convenient for increased use.

Broadwater: Painted outside of parsonage and interior of the Parish Hall, cost $24.00.

Fremont: Gift of adjoining lot, east of the church was made by two members of the church, cost of lot $800.00. Gift of new organ lamp and two new altar vases.

Spencer: New altar of solid oak valued at $350.00. This altar was built by the pastor, Rev. M. B. Simon and friends. Twenty-four inch bronze cross, cost $38.00. Both of the above articles were gifts from a friend.

West Point: Dedicated a flourescent name plate, costing $118.00. This gift was made by Mr. and Mrs. Herman Von Seggern. Paving project on north side of church completed at a cost of $240.00 and is paid for. $1100.00 has been collected for a new heating plant in the church. Rooms in parsonage redecorated at a cost of $47.00. New typewriter purchased at a cost of $95.00.

Dakota City, Salem: New altar, costing $157.00. Parsonage repapered and floors revarnished, costing $69.00. Altar covering, cross and candelabra, costing $58.00. The altar, cross and candelabra were donated by the Ladies Aid. The parsonage was papered and varnished by the Missionary Society.

Ponca: Curbing and new sidewalk laid about the church property, costing $231.00. Terrace releveled and trees planted to replace old ones. Parsonage interior painted and new shades secured, costing $85.00. Use U. L. C. A. Bulletins regularly.

Beatrice: Installed new blower for heating system for church, costing $110.00.

Hooper: New and indirect lights and chandeliers for main room of church, two Gorham altar vases, Gorham altar desk, red Morocco Bound Altar Service Book, all memorials. The floors of the

church were cleaned and lacquered, and the side walls of the main church room were redecorated and paid for by the Ladies' Aid. A silk service flag was placed in the sanctuary for the boys in service. Four American elms were purchased to replace the Chinese elms in the church park. The Church Council is studying the new text "The Deacon and Worship."

Homer: New church building and equipment was dedicated April the 19. The cost was about $10,000 with about $1,000 remaining to be paid. Dr. W. F. Rangeler preached in the morning, Rev. G. E. Moeller in the afternoon, and the Rev. W. A. Voss in the evening. Other ministers present were Dr. P. W. H. Frederick, Rev. H. Joens, Rev. E. N. Haugse, Dr. T. D. Rinde, and Dr. J. C. Hershey.

Redeemer, Omaha: Enlargement of church building, costing about $7,000. Speakers at the dedication service were Dr. C. B. Harman and Dr. F. C. Wiegman. The president of Synod, Dr. J. C. Hershey, brought greetings from Synod.

Kountze Memorial, Omaha: Corner stone was laid for the new $100,000 church School and Parish Hall. Dr. A. Bard of Kansas City was the speaker. Dr. J. C. Hershey, president of Synod, participated in the event.

Missionary G. R. Flora reports that since he has returned to the United States from Africa, he has spoken a total of 95 times to 12,205 people in fifty-five different church groups and five service clubs.

Tekamah: Painted church basement. Sunday School purchased a piano, new hymn board slides, and will erect an altar for down stairs worship center. Senior and Junior robed choirs sing every Sunday. Junior choir white cossacks were made by the mothers and members of the W. M. S. Saturday school every week for the Children of the Church and Catechetical instruction.

Recommendations

1. That the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska humbly and gratefully acknowledge the presence of God in all her deliberations and undertakings and that we pray for His continued blessings.
2. That the officers of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska be authorized to sell 7.15 acres of land located in Pawnee County and that the proceeds be placed in the treasury of the Mission Committee for missionary work in the Synod.
3. That the Causes of the Whole Church be faithfully presented to the congregations of Synod.
4. That each pastor make a special effort to increase the apportioned benevolence of his congregation each year until the full amount is reached.
5. That pastors choose prayerfully young men of their congregations and present to them the claims of the Gospel Ministry.
6. That during the month of May we urge our congregations to meet their quota for "World Action."

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. Hershey

The Report of the Treasurer was presented by Mr. F. E. Wood. The Auditor's Report was also presented and adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts

The Apportionment	$21,644.64
Offering Synod Hooper	8.87
Foreign Missions	284.13

Tabitha Home Specials	1,096.67
Midland College Specials	98.86
Lutheran World Action	151.74
Board of American Missions	10.00
Board of Ministerial Pensions and Relief	41.00
Midland Assembly	14.00
L. S. M. W.	929.02
Church Extension	5.00
Centennial	1.97
U. L. C. A. Convention Specials	68.85
Service Books Convention	116.45
	$24,471.20

Disbursements

United Lutheran Church Apportionment	$ 9,174.34
United Lutheran Church Specials	1,422.86
Midland College Apportionment	4,892.99
Midland College Specials	98.86
Tabitha Home Apportionment	1,096.67
Tabitha Home Specials	1,223.24
Fixed Items:	
Ministerial Aid	$ 500.00
Mission Committee	1,400.00
Miscellaneous Items:	
Midland Assembly	$ 14.00
United Lutheran Publishing House Service Books	116.45
Eastman Kodak Company Convention Funds	3.00
Omaha Chamber of Commerce Convention Funds	50.00
Oscar Lyders Convention Funds	15.85
Synodical Treasury:	
J. C. Hershey Salary and Expenses	$ 3,505.19
J. C. Hershey Special Meeting Fort Wayne	50.00
J. C. Hershey Special Meeting Harrisburg	45.82
J. C. Hershey Merger Committee Kansas City	17.63
J. W. Cattern Postage Receipts and Remittance Blanks, Treasurer	36.75
A. Lentz Postage Convention	7.00
A. Lentz 100 Copies Proposed Merger Constitutions	21.00
T. D. Rinde Merger Committee Expenses	10.00
T. D. Rinde Salary	50.00
T. D. Rinde Executive Committee Expenses	2.00
Geo. Krebs Stewardship Committee Expenses	7.00
W. F. Kedde Convention Delegate	21.00
Gus Prestegaard Executive Committee Expenses	4.00
Hanson Audit Company	25.00
W. H. Saas Statistician Expense	4.85
E. W. Harner Expenses to Synod	25.00
Nebraska State Building & Loan Safety Deposit Box	2.22
C. H. Berhenke Expense Committee Young People	10.00
W. S. Livers Expense Committe Young People	3.75
F. W. Henkel Foreign Mission Committee	2.50
F. E. Wood Salary	50.00
F. E. Wood Stamped Envelopes	10.00
Student Work Committee University of Nebraska	200.00
A. E. Hecker Executive Committee	2.00
A. T. Yost Midland Board Meeting	25.39
E. C. Mortensen Midland Board Meeting	10.92
Marvin Tillman Expenses Synod Convention	5.00
Mildred Kies Mimeographing Synod Reports	9.66
Midland College Getting Out Letter Stewardship Committee	3.30
Henry Dumler Mission Committee	8.00
N. W. Casualty Company Treasurer's Bond	10.00

W. A. Klink Midland Board Meeting	6.54
Perkins Printing Company Printing Minutes	226.20
Theo Schuldt Parish Education Committee	4.00
Owen Printing Company Office Supplies	12.00
Frank Marsh Secretary of State Corporation Tax	1.00
E. F. Rohlfing Parish Education Committee	9.80
H. M. Henriksen Young People's Committee	6.71
M. B. Simon Young People's Committee	7.00
W. W. Alexander	1.00
Exchange	3.71
	$24,471.20

BENEVOLENCE REPORT FOR 1941
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF NEBRASKA

Church	Apportionment	Paid	%	Specials	Total
Allen	$ 661.00	$ 90.00	13.6	$ 11.00	$ 101.00
Auburn	1,053.00	373.00	35.4	238.72	611.72
Beatrice	524.00	96.57	18	28.50	125.07
Benedict	557.00	286.00	51	30.90	316.90
Broadwater	491.00	140.19	28.6	16.76	156.95
Columbus	411.00	119.50	29	3.00	122.50
Dalton	496.00	138.00	27	11.00	149.00
Dak. City, Em.	38.00	13.00	34		13.00
Dak. City, Salem	486.00	149.31	30.8	31.95	181.26
Davenport	1,081.00	185.00	17		185.00
Eagle	245.00			8.00	8.00
Emerson	944.00	433.01	46	208.45	641.46
Ericson	71.00	2.50	3.5	7.30	9.80
Falls City	2,601.00	887.93	34		887.93
Fremont	2,162.00	1,698.32	78.5	264.63	1,962.95
Grand Island	3,941.00	1,054.00	26.7	125.55	1,179.55
Gurley	514.00	250.00	48.6	12.00	262.00
Hampton	378.00	16.00	4	5.75	21.75
Hardy	382.00	21.00	5.5	33.60	54.60
Hildreth	500.00	24.00	4.8	12.00	36.00
Homer	666.00				
Hooper	1,053.00	250.00	23.7	40.07	290.07
Hubbard	354.00	36.00	10.02	22.50	58.50
Leigh	760.00	47.00	6.2	30.00	77.00
Lincoln, Grace	1,926.00	1,930.00	100.2	421.02	2,351.02
" St. James'	345.00	16.10	4.7		16.10
Lewellen	278.00	85.00	30.6	7.00	92.00
McCool Jct.	321.00	5.00	1.6		5.00
Nebraska City	637.00	250.00	30	28.00	278.00
North Platte	2,341.00	1,901.78	81.2	91.71	1,993.49
Omaha, First	1,567.00	571.00	36.4	71.92	642.92
" Grace	1,397.00	70.92	5	10.00	80.92
" K. Mem.	10,596.00	3,669.60	34.6	123.00	3,792.60
" L. Mem.	255.00	257.00	100.7	17.50	274.50
" Redeemer	2,417.00	1,370.00	56.6	90.00	1,460.00
" St. Luke's	2,554.00	1,348.95	52.8	43.91	1,392.86
" St. Mark's	614.00	360.00	58.6	35.00	395.00
Oshkosh	236.00	31.00	13	9.00	40.00
Paxton	779.00	247.00	31.7	10.00	257.00
Ponca	939.00	307.00	32.7	99.00	406.00
Potter	113.00	50.00	44	67.25	117.25
Rising City	840.00	244.19	29	19.71	263.90
Scribner	949.00	100.00	10.5		100.00
Snyder	330.00	5.00	1.5		5.00
Sidney	666.00	432.00	65	27.95	459.95
S. Sioux City	1,109.00	479.00	43	18.50	497.50

Spencer	368.00	39.00	10.6	15.00	54.00
Stamford	566.00	131.00	23	16.54	147.54
Stella	109.00	44.00	40.4	8.00	52.00
Sutherland	47.00	5.06	10.7		5.06
Tekamah	260.00	51.00	19.6	27.94	78.94
Vacoma	297.00	85.00	28.6		85.00
Verdon	647.00	147.70	23	131.83	279.53
Walton	396.00	28.00	7	15.50	43.50
Wayne	1,053.00	333.00	31.6	76.30	409.30
West Point	1,435.00	575.01	40		575.01
Wilber	354.00	86.00	24.3	10.00	96.00
Wolbach	552.00	29.00	5.2	21.00	50.00
York	420.00	50.00	12	17.00	67.00
Totals	$58,082.00	$21,644.64	37.2	$2,641.26	$24,285.90

A very definite effort was made to have all churches reporting some amount of apportioned benevolences during 1942, but we fell short of our goal. God can give us the victory in 1942 despite the troublous times ahead if we want it.

F. E. Wood, Treasurer

To the Board of Trustees:
The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska
of the United Lutheran Church in America.

In accordance with your request, we have conducted a detailed audit of the financial books and records of your Treasurer, Mr. F. E. Wood, for the period from February 1, 1941 to January 31, 1942, inclusive.

There was on deposit in the Stephens National Bank checking account $5,879.79 on January 31, 1941. The net balance of funds on deposit per the books as of January 31, 1942 was NIL.

Officers of the Synod during the past fiscal year were:
Rev. John C. Hershey, President
Rev. Thomas D. Rinde, Secretary
Mr. F. E. Wood, Treasurer

Our report is divided into the following Exhibits:
Exhibit "A": Summary Statement of Receipts and Disbursements by Funds from February 1, 1941 to January 31, 1942, inclusive.
Exhibit "B": Detailed Statement of Receipts and Disbursements by Funds from February 1, 1941 to January 31, 1942, inclusive.
Exhibit "C": Bank Reconciliation, January 31, 1942.

Our report submitted herewith agrees with the financial records of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska of the United Lutheran Church in America, Treasurer, Mr. F. E. Wood, and to the best of our knowledge and belief is a correct accounting of all receipts and disbursements for the fiscal period from February 1, 1941 to January 31, 1942 inclusive.

Respectfully submitted,
THE HANSON AUDIT COMPANY,
By Jas. R. Hanson

Mr. G. R. Locker, a member of the City Council of Falls City, Nebraska, extended a hearty welcome to Synod.

The Report of the Statistician was presented by the Rev. W. H. Saas.

REPORT OF STATISTICIAN

We should like to quote a statement from last year's report since [illegible]plies equally well to this year's report, "The task of making out

the Synodical Parochial Report was unusually difficult this year. Late reports, incomplete reports and reports carelessly put together made plenty of work for the statistician." We should like to add that the report is to be made in duplicate by each pastor and that it is not the duty of the statistician to make the "carbon copy".

In this year's Parochial Report sheets we have included totals for 1940 and 1941 together with figures indicating the increase or decrease for the year.

From these figures we note the following:—

1. There was an increase in all classes of membership. These increases would have been much larger except for the large number of losses "Otherwise", evidently taken to clear the rolls of "inactives".

2. There was a slight decrease in Sunday School enrollment and very pronounced losses in Weekday Schools and Children of the Church groups. There was a loss of six in Weekday Schools and of 337 in membership. There was a decrease of 13 in Children of the Church groups with a decrease of 128 in membership.

3. There were 140 fewer catechumens than in the previous year.

4. While the women's societies more than held their own the men lost five groups and 108 members and the young people two groups and 120 members.

5. There was a gain of two students in Lutheran Seminaries and of 12 students in other Lutheran Institutions.

6. There was a decrease of $232,829 in the total valuation of church property and an increase of more than $57,000 in indebtedness.

7. Our people were more generous in their giving during the past year. There was an increase of more than $50,000 in congregational expenditures; an increase of $2,087 in unapportioned benevolence and of $776 in apportioned benevolence; and an increase in total congregational expenditures of $53,678.

Respectfully submitted,
W. H. Saas,
Statistical Secretary

The Report of the Historian was presented by Dr. G. K. Rubrecht. The Historian was given permission to add several items to his Report.

REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN

Six congregations reported services of historical interest during the past year.

Grace Lutheran Church, Gurley, the Rev. John S. Rhine, pastor, celebrated its 25th Anniversary, Sunday, June 15, 1941. The Anniversary sermon was preached by Rev. W. T. Kahse, D. D., founder of the congregation. At the afternoon service, following a basket dinner, the Rev. Fred C. Wiegman, D. D., President of Midland College, preached. Pastor Rhine prepared a brief history of the congregation for the occasion.

The 25th Anniversary of the dedication of Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, Walton, the Rev. A. L. Mendenhall, pastor, was observed Sunday, August 24, 1941, with three special services. President J. C. Hershey, D. D., spoke at the morning service. Rev. A. S. Pannbacker of the Midwest Synod spoke at the evening service. The afternoon was devoted to an informal service at which time a history of the congregation was read, the roll of charter members called and messages from friends, former pastors and other congregations presented.

Formal dedication of the enlarged structure of the Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Omaha, the Rev. Walter A. Voss, pastor, took place Sunday, September 28, 1941, with two services. The Rev. C. B. Harman, D. D., Grand Island, the first pastor of the congregation, preached in the morning. President Fred C. Wiegman of Midland College, and Dr. Hershey, president of Synod, spoke in the evening. The congregation was organized January 7, 1917. On January 10, 1941, the congregation voted to proceed with the erection of the new addition. Ground breaking ceremonies took place April 27. The cornerstone was laid June 22, 1941.

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Wayne, the Rev. G. Gieschen, pastor, celebrated its 60th Anniversary, Sunday, October 5th. Anniversary speakers were Rev. J. H. Fetterolf, Mt. Carroll, Ill. and Rev. W. C. Heidenreich, Oshkosh, former pastors. President Hershey spoke at the evening service. Pastor Gieschen prepared a richly illustrated history and souvenir booklet for the occasion.

Emanuel Lutheran Church, Hampton, the Rev. Karl Gigstad, pastor, observed the 25th Anniversary of the founding of the congregation on Sunday, October 19, 1941. The anniversary message was delivered by President Hershey. Dr. Kahse organized the congregation June 25, 1916. Pastor Gigstad prepared a history of the congregation which was reviewed at the afternoon service.

First Evangelical Lutheran Church, Nebraska City, the Rev. Theodore J. C. Schuldt pastor, observed its 75th Anniversary in October last year. Three main functions marked the celebration. A 75th Anniversary Family Night dinner on Thursday, October 23, 1941, with Prof. T. D. Rinde, D. D., of Western Theological Seminary and former pastor of the congregation, the speaker. The Anniversary service of Reformation Sunday, October 26, 1941, with Presidents Wiegman and Hershey, the speakers. The final Anniversary service, Sunday evening, October 26, was held in the Junior High School auditorium, Rev. Walter H. Traub, D. D., LL. D., Omaha, speaker. The South East District Lutheran Choral Union under the direction of Prof. Oscar Lyders gave a concert in connection with this service. A very complete historical souvenir booklet was prepared for the occasion.

Respectfully submitted,
G. Keller Rubrecht

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN OF SYNOD

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Eagle, Nebraska, celebrated its Golden Anniversary, April 19, 1942, with three special services. President Fred C. Wiegman, D. D., of Midland College, spoke at the morning service and Rev. Ralph E. Rangeler, Topeka, Kansas, the former pastor, at the evening service. The afternoon service was given over to messages of congratulation and a reviewing of the history of the congregation. Rev. A. L. Mendenhall is pastor of the congregation.

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Homer, Nebraska, dedicated its new church building with a week of special services. The former church building was destroyed by a flood a year or two ago. The dedication was an occasion of great rejoicing. The service of Dedication took place Sunday, April 19, 1942. Rev. W. F. Rangeler, D. D., preached the sermon "Why The Church?". Assisting pastors were the president of synod, the Rev. John Hershey, D. D., and the Rev. P. W. H. Frederick, D. D., acting dean of Western Theological Seminary. Rev. Walter A. Voss, Sioux City, Iowa, spoke at the evening service, assisted by Rev. Geo. Moeller, Luther Memorial Church, Omaha. Pastors assisting at the special baptismal service in the afternoon were Rev. Geo. Moeller, Omaha, Rev. E. N. Haugse, South Sioux City and Rev. Herman Joens, Dakota City. Wednesday evening, April 22, was Fellowship Night and on the following Sun-

day, April 26, there was a special service of Thanksgiving. An elaborate booklet commemorating the dedication and special services was prepared by Rev. Sherman E. Frederick, pastor of the congregation. Many gifts from the community and members of the congregation, and a special gift of $3000 from the Disaster Relief Committee of the Board of Social Missions made the new building and all of its equipment possible.

The Necrologist had no report to make.

The following official representatives were introduced to Synod and given the privilege of the floor: Dr. C. A. Robertson, President of the Kentucky-Tennessee Synod and official representative of the United Lutheran Church in America; Dr. C. P. Harry from the Board of Education of the United Lutheran Church in America; the Rev. H. H. Ragatz from the American Bible Society; the Rev. W. W. Klover, President of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States.

The Report of the Executive Committee was presented by the Secretary.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1. The Executive Committee has held four meetings since the last Convention of Synod.
2. The Standing Committees required by the Constitution and the Special Committees were appointed, and the Calendar for the 1942 Convention was arranged, as shown in the 1941 Minutes.
3. The unfinished business from the 1941 Convention referred to the Committee was taken care of.
4. The Committee voted to mimeograph the Report of Officers and Committees to be presented to the 1942 Convention of Synod so that they could be sent to the members of Synod prior to the Convention.
5. The State Brotherhood was granted time for its Convention at 3:30 o'clock Monday afternoon, May 4, 1942, and Monday evening for the Brotherhood Banquet.
6. The Committee voted to allow the Rev. C. P. Harry, D. D., one of the student secretaries of the Board of Education of The United Lutheran Church in America, time to present his work at the Convention.
7. The Committee voted to request the Rev. H. C. Cordts to give a report on the present status of Synod's property at Pawnee City at the 1942 Convention.
8. The Executive Committee recommends the following budget for the year 1943:

Section 1—Fixed Items

Salaries	$ 3,100.00
Missions	1,000.00
Midland College	7,200.00
President's travel expense	600.00
Beneficiary Education	500.00
Synodical Paper	350.00
General Expense Fund	350.00
Printing	300.00
Student Work at the University of Nebraska	100.00
Young People's Camps	75.00
Auditor's fees	25.00
Treasurer's bond	10.00
Total	$13,610.00

Section 2—The Apportionment

The United Lutheran Church in America	$37,500.00
Tabitha Home	7,352.00
Total	$44,852.00
Grand Total	$58,462.00

In accordance with the budget adopted by Synod, the Apportionment for 1943, based upon a Communing membership of 12,417 is as follows:

Allen	$ 527	Omaha, Grace	824
Auburn	1,319	Omaha, K. M.	10,315
Beatrice	517	Omaha, L. M.	310
Benedict	526	Omaha, Redeemer	2,435
Broadwater	560	Omaha, St. Luke's	2,642
Columbus	396	Omaha, St. Mark's	610
Dakota City, Emmanuel	33	Oshkosh	198
Dakota City, Salem	447	Paxton	791
Dalton	484	Ponca	970
Davenport	1,013	Potter	140
Eagle	258	Rising City	1,036
Emerson	867	Scribner	777
Ericson	74	Sidney	735
Falls City	2,566	Snyder	272
Fremont	2,289	South Sioux City	1,450
Grand Island	4,083	Spencer	380
Gurley	531	Stamford	660
Hampton	300	Stella	113
Hardy	338	Sutherland	99
Hildreth	455	Tekamah	287
Homer	730	Vacoma	305
Hooper	1,022	Verdon	579
Hubbard	376	Walton	394
Leigh	781	Wayne	1,431
Lewellen	244	West Point	1,502
Lincoln	2,260	Wilber	330
McCool Junction	433	Wolbach	377
Nebraska City	814	York	358
North Platte	2,378		
Omaha, First	1,521		$58,462

Thomas D. Rinde, Secretary.

A motion carried to table item 8 of the Executive Committee's Report until Wednesday afternoon.

The Amendments to the Synodical Constitution presented at the 1941 Convention of Synod were adopted.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF NEBRASKA

1. That in line five of Article IX, Section 1, paragraph (A), the following sentence be added after the words "and lay delegates shall be elected": "The President of Synod shall be one of the clerical delegates to each Convention of the United Lutheran Church in America."

Thomas D. Rinde, G. Prestegaard, W. C. Stump, Walter A. Voss, Otto Nelson, V. B. Elseffer, G. Keller Rubrecht, A. E. Hecker

2. That all of paragraph (C) in Article IX, Section 1, be stricken from the Constitution, and that paragraphs (D), (E), and (F)

in the same Article and Section be re-lettered (C), (D) and (E), respectively.

Thomas D. Rinde	G. Prestegaard	W. C. Stump
Walter A. Voss	Otto Nelson	V. B. Elseffer
G. Keller Rubrecht		A. E. Hecker

3. That the first sentence in paragraph (C), Section 2, Article IX, be made to read: "The Trustees of Tabitha Home shall be three in number, one clerical and two laymen, who shall be elected by Synod by ballot for a term of two years."

Thomas D. Rinde	G. Prestegaard	W. C. Stump
Walter A. Voss	Otto Nelson	V. B. Elseffer
G. Keller Rubrecht		A. E. Hecker

The Rev. Herman Goede, President of the Midwest Synod, was introduced to Synod and given the privilege of the floor.

The Rev. H. H. Ragatz was given ten minutes for the presentation of the work of the American Bible Society.

The tellers reported 52 votes cast on the second ballot for Vice-President. Dr. C. B. Harman received 46, a necessary majority for election. The President declared Dr. Harman elected.

Dr. C. P. Harry spoke briefly to Synod.

Dr. C. A. Robertson delivered a stimulating message to Synod.

The session adjourned at 12:10 p. m. Prayer was offered by Dr. W. T. Kahse.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON

An informal Devotional Service was conducted by Chaplain C. B. Harman.

The roll was called, 46 pastors and 21 lay delegates being present.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel announced the order of business for the session.

Dr. C. A. Robertson spoke to Synod as the official representative of the United Lutheran Church in America.

The Rev. Herman Goede, President of the Midwest Synod, brought fraternal greetings from his Synod.

The Rev. E. C. Hansen, pastor of the Midwest Synod at Johnson Nebraska, was introduced to Synod.

The Report of the Committee on New Congregations and Pastoral Charges was presented by the Rev. V. B. Baird. The recommendation was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NEW CONGREGATIONS AND PASTORAL CHARGES

Your committee reports that Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church of Omaha, Nebraska, has submitted a new constitution to your committee for examination, the constitution to be adopted by the congregation this year if it meets the approval of synod. Since the new

constitution is a careful adaptation of the model constitution approved by the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church in America, and is, therefore, in harmony with the constitution of our synod, your committee recommends:

That the constitution of Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church of Omaha, Nebraska, be approved by synod.

Rev. H. Vance Baird

The Report of the Trustees on the Midland College Board was presented by the Rev. E. C. Mortensen.

A motion was lost that a commissioner be elected from this Synod to meet with commissioners from the other Synods constituent to Western Seminary in Denver, Colorado, July 1, 1942, to formulate a definite organization of a seminary on the western territory.

REPORT OF MIDLAND COLLEGE TRUSTEES

The enrollment of Midland College stands at 288 students; 29 seniors, 32 juniors, 70 sophomores, 136 freshmen, and 21 irregulars.

The faculty consists of 27 who are actually teaching in the various departments, Dr. F. C. Wiegman's position being administrative.

The girls' dormitory has been filled to capacity this year—75 girls, while the Annex (a house across the street) has taken care of four girls under the sponsorship of Miss Elvera Lindell, instructor in typing and shorthand. This is the largest number of girls ever to be housed in college dormitories at Midland.

There are 160 persons eating in the dining hall, including the student waiters. This is also an increase over last year. Board at the start of the year was $4.25 per week, but at the beginning of the second semester it was raised to $4.50 because of the increase in food prices caused by the war situation.

The regular trip of the A Cappella Choir scheduled for January was cancelled because adequate bookings could not be secured. The Oratorio Chorus toured Nebraska, Kansas, Missouri from April 3 to April 12, presenting "The Seven Last Words of Christ" in 15 cities.

On the loan of $80,000.00 which was taken out in 1938 to take up old bonds and other pressing items, monthly payments have continued on an amortization basis. With payments of $506.12 monthly, the loan has been reduced $8,401.50 and the total now stands at $71,598.95.

The Western Theological Seminary has 12 students. Last year there were only eight students. There are six juniors, two middlers, and four seniors. There are two full-time professors and four part-time instructors on the Seminary faculty.

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements
For Fiscal Year Ending August 31, 1941

INCOME:

Tuition and Fees	$ 48,445.12
Endowment Income	4,716.43
Gifts and Grants	22,824.38
Sales and Services	1,045.71
Other Sources	1,857.14
Total Educational and General Income	$ 78,888.78
Auxiliary Enterprises	42,405.95
Total Income from all sources	$121,294.73

EXPENSES:		
Educational and General	$ 79,604.41	
Auxiliary Enterprises	37,151.74	
Other Non-Educational Expenses	4,481.63	$121,237.78
Net Operating Income for Fiscal Year 1940-41		$ 56.95

Respectfully submitted,
E. C. Mortensen

A motion carried that the action to limit the third ballot for Secretary to the two receiving the highest number of votes on the second ballot be rescinded.

Mrs. Will Harkendorff, official representative from the Women's Missionary Society of the Nebraska Synod brought greetings to the Synod.

The Report of the Committee on Protocol was presented by the Rev. S. Frederick.

REPORT OF THE PROTOCOL COMMITTEE

Your committee has examined and compared the Protocol and the printed minutes of the 69th Annual Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska.

Several typographical errors were found and noted, the chief of which were the address of J. S. Leamer, D. D. appearing in the printed minutes as 3404 17th St., Columbus and in the protocol as 3009 17th St., Columbus, and C. J. Naugle whose address appeared in the minutes as 2606 Farnum, Omaha and in the protocol as 2602 Farnum, Omaha. In the Statistician's report in the printed minutes on page 15 the Synodical Confirmed Membership is reported as 20,543 and in the protocol as 20,272. There is no notation in the printed minutes of the Report on New Congregations and Pastoral Charges.

Respectfully submitted,
Sherman E. Frederick, Chairman

A motion carried that if there is no election on the fourth ballot for Secretary, the fifth ballot be limited to the two men receiving the highest number of votes on the fourth ballot.

A motion carried that the Report of the Committee on Student Work in non-Lutheran Schools be heard. This Report was presented by Dr. L. H. Lesher. Dr. C. P. Harry spoke to this Report.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STUDENTS IN NON-LUTHERAN SCHOOLS

Reports have been received from four student centers by this Committee and a summary of each report is presented herewith.

LINCOLN. STATE UNIVERSITY. Here the Committee for Lutheran Student Work functions with an inter-synodical program, Pastor Lesher of the Nebraska Synod and Pastor Koolen of the Mid-west Synod representing the U. L. C. A. as well as layman Prestegaard. Pastor Alvin Petersen, of the United Danish Synod is the Lutheran Student Secretary in charge of the office and adviser of the L. S. A. A. Meetings of the L. S. A. A. are held each Sunday evening at the Student Union. The L. S. A. A. has organized a choir which not only sings on special occasions during the year on the campus but also assists at meetings in the several Lutheran churches of Lincoln.

Representatives of the American Lutheran Conference of the Board of Education of the U. L. C. A. visit the campus from time to time, meeting with the students and with the Committee. Support of the work is shared jointly by the American Lutheran Conference bodies, the Board of Education of the U. L. C. A. and the Nebraska and Mid-west Synods. There are about 560 Lutheran Students, of which about 175 are of the Synodical Conference, which conducts its own work separately, including a chapel service each Sunday morning in the Student Union.

The Lutheran students other than this 175, are contacted through our office. Effort is made to get them to attend their respective Lutheran churches for worship on Sundays. Dr. Mary Markley, Dr. C. P. Harry, Dr. F. Schiotz, and Dr. Gould Wickey have visited the campus and addressed our students during this year. Dr. Wickey was the Lutheran representative in the "Religion and Life Week", November 8-15, and was honored by being selected as campus chairman of the entire program. Although there is a reception of the students at one of our Lutheran churches in the Fall, and some social activities from time to time, the chief emphasis is upon spiritual progress.

OMAHA. The Rev. H. J. Goede, acting adviser. There are approximately 137 Lutheran Students at Omaha University. Since its inception two years ago, the L. S. A. A. has made repeated attempts to become a recognized campus organization, but has met with continued strong opposition from the faculty, through the Director of Student Activities. An off-campus set-up is also a failure for the simple reason that practically the entire Lutheran group are residents of Omaha and affiliated with the local churches. Pending outcome of a protest lodged by the Ministerial Association and the Inter-synodical Brotherhood with the Board of Regents, the L. S. A. A. has suspended activities.

PERU. The Rev. Theo. J. C. Schuldt, adviser. The work at the Peru State Normal is carried on by Pastor Schuldt, and Rev. A. Haferman, A. L. C. pastor at Syracuse. There are about 50-60 Lutheran students. A small grant by the Board of Education and the A. L. C. has enabled these men to work with the students. In former years, the only time when a meeting could be held on the campus by our Lutheran group was on Sunday evenings. Most of the students being at home over the week-end, this prevented effective work. This year, our pastors arranged to meet with the students off the campus for the second and fourth Thursday evenings in the basement of the Baptist church. The attendance has doubled this year and about half of the students or more are being reached, Bible studies are conducted, and practical and current problems of student life are considered and guidance given.

WAYNE. The Rev. G. Gieschen, adviser. About 175 Lutheran students are registered at the Wayne State Normal, 59 men, 116 women, Rev. Most of the Mid-west Synod cooperates with Pastor Gieschen in student work. The faculty adviser, Miss Ruth Pearson of the Augustana Synod gives ready assistance. Two meetings per month have been held this year, with the attendance ranging from 15-60, and increasing interest of the students and well improved plans for the meetings, have made the work more effective. Most of the students go home over the week-end, and the fact that the only week-night available is Wednesday, when the Y. W. C. A. and Y. M. C. A. also meet and this involves some Lutheran leadership. This fact cuts in on Lutheran attendance.

The Mid-west Synod appropriated $50.00 for the work this year which has been a great help. A reception was held for the Lutheran students in the fall and the observance of Christmas and Lent and the 20th Anniversary of the L. S. A. A. will be observed with a banquet May 6, Dr. C. P. Harry being guest speaker.

Leland H. Lesher

The tellers reported fifty-four votes cast on the fourth ballot for Secretary. The Rev. T. J. C. Schuldt received 31 votes, a necessary majority for election. President Hershey declared the Rev. Schuldt elected.

Mr. F. E. Wood was nominated for Treasurer.

A motion carried that the nominations for Treasurer be closed.

A motion carried that the rules of Synod be suspended and that the Secretary be instructed to cast the ballot of Synod for Mr. Wood as Treasurer. The Secretary cast the ballot and President Hershey declared Mr. Wood elected as treasurer.

The afternoon session adjourned at 4:30 p. m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION—TUESDAY AFTERNOON

The Executive Session of Synod convened at 4:35 p. m.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. H. Joens.

The Report of the Examining Committee was presented by Dr. G. N. Mendenhall. The recommendations were adopted.

REPORT OF THE EXAMINING COMMITTEE

In accordance with the Constitution of Synod, we have examined the following young men: Kenneth deFreese, Milton Moore, John Rupley, who have applied for ordination, and Paul deFreese who asks for licensure.

1. We recommend that Kenneth deFreese, having received a call from the United Evangelical Lutheran Church of Columbus, Nebraska, a congregation within this Synod, and having passed a satisfactory examination, be ordained at this convention of Synod.

2. We recommend that Milton Moore, having received a call to Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church of Platte Center, Nebraska, an independent Lutheran congregation, and having passed a satisfactory examination, be ordained at this convention of Synod.

3. We recommend that John Rupley, having received a call from the First Evangelical Lutheran Church of York, Nebraska, and from the First Evangelical Lutheran Church of McCool Junction, Nebraska, congregations within this Synod, and having passed a satisfactory examination, be ordained at this convention of Synod.

4. We recommend that Paul deFreese, having received a call as supply pastor at First Evangelical Lutheran Church of Wilber, Nebraska, a congregation within this Synod, and having passed a satisfactory examination, be licensed for a period of one year.

George N. Mendenhall, Chairman

A motion carried that the Executive Committee make the necessary investigations and take the proper steps to remove the name of Rev. W. J. Chittenden from the roll of Synod.

The Executive Session adjourned at 4:47 p. m.

REGULAR SESSION RECONVENED

Synod reconvened in regular session at 4:48 p. m.

The first ballot for Historian was taken.

Mr. A. E. Hecker, Mr. Thomas Lipps and Mr. W. W. Kuenning were nominated for lay member to the Executive Committee.

The first ballot for lay member to the Executive Committee was taken.

The tellers reported forty-three votes cast on the first ballot for Historian. Dr. G. K. Rubrecht received 41 votes, a necessary majority for election. The President declared Dr. Rubrecht elected.

The first ballot for clerical member to fill the unexpired term of the Rev. W. A. Voss on the Executive Committee was taken.

The tellers reported forty ballots cast for lay member to the Executive Committee. Mr. W. W. Kuenning received 22 votes, a necessary majority for election. The President declared Mr. Kuenning elected.

The session adjourned at 5:05 p. m. Prayer was offered by Dr. P. W. H. Frederick.

CONFERENCE SESSIONS

At 5:10 p. m. meetings were held by the three Synodical Conferences.

ORDINATION SERVICE—TUESDAY NIGHT

The Ordination Service Tuesday night was in charge of the President and Secretary of Synod and the Chairman of the Examining Committee. The sermon was delivered by the Rev. J. B. Rupley, Sr., on the text Acts 26:16.

The following men were ordained to the Gospel Ministry: the Rev. Siefke Kenneth de Freese, the Rev. Milton G. Moore and the Rev. John Benjamin Rupley, Jr. Student Paul de Freese, a senior at Western Theological Seminary, was licensed for one year.

WEDNESDAY MORNING

The Devotional Service at 8:45 a. m. was in charge of Chaplain C. B. Harman, assisted by the Rev. E. N. Haugse.

The business session was called to order by President Hershey at 9:30 a. m.

The roll of Synod was called, 44 pastors and 22 lay delegates being present.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel announced the order of business for the session.

The Minutes of the sessions of Monday afternoon, Tuesday morning and Tuesday afternoon were read and approved.

The Report of the Committee on Ministerial Education was presented by the Rev. G. Gieschen. The recommendation was adopted.

REPORT OF MINISTERIAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The Ministerial Education Committee met in St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Falls City, Nebraska, on May 5, 1942, to consider applications for aid for 1942-1943.

Raymond Bartels, who will be a Senior in Midland College, applied for aid, and the Committee voted to allow him $125.00.

Jess Hansen, who will be a Junior in Midland College, applied for aid, and the Committee voted to allow him $125.00.

Robert Bartels, who will be a Sophomore in Midland College, applied for aid, and the Committee voted to allow him $125.00.

Total disbursements for the past year were $490.50.

The Committee recommends that the Executive Committee of Synod prepare and supply suitable certificates to be issued by the Ministerial Education Committee to all theological students at our college and seminary, certifying that they are preparing for the ministry, to be used by such students if they are drafted for military service.

Respectfully submitted,
G. Gieschen, Chairman

The tellers reported 45 votes cast for the clerical member to fill the unexpired term of the Rev. W. A. Voss on the Executive Committee. The Rev. W. A. Klink received 25 votes, a necessary majority for election. The President declared the Rev. Klink elected.

The Report of the State Brotherhood was presented.

REPORT OF THE STATE BROTHERHOOD

To the Officers, Pastors and Lay-delegates of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska in Convention at Falls City, Nebraska, May 4-6, 1942.

Dear Brethren in Christ:

The Men's Auxiliary of the Nebraska Synod, the Brotherhood, wishes to make the following report to you:

Several of our congregations which have Men's organizations, are badly hit because of the young men being called into the service of our country and because of migration from the rural communities to other fields of the so-called defense work. Many changes had to be made in the list of officers in the local organizations due to these facts, and may we express our thanks to those pastors who so willingly have kept us informed about newly elected officers.

The Lutheran men of our beloved United Lutheran Church in America have united themselves with the men of other large Lutheran bodies to follow up these our men which are serving our country, and with the help of God, we will do that which is required of us. How well this was brought out in the convention of the American Federation of Lutheran Brotherhoods held in Chicago, November 6-7, 1941, where the undersigned represented the Lutheran men of

this territory as an official delegate. The eyes of the World and especially of the United States are focused on us "Lutheran Men," since the reorganized State Church (Lutheran) of Germany and Norway under pressure are praying for the success of the sword of the Nazi. We will serve our Country best by doing the Will and the Command of our Heavenly Father and Jesus Christ our Lord and Master.

May we express our thanks to the President and the Executive Committee of the Nebraska Synod, for allotting us the time after 3:30 p. m. on Monday, May 4, for holding the Twenty-fifth Anniversary Convention and Brotherhood Banquet. Yes, Twenty-five years ago, this the Nebraska Synodical Brotherhood was organized, and has through misunderstandings, hardships and also joy, become a great organization in the Church, who "Under the guidance and inspiration of the Holy Spirit, will bring the unsaved to Christ."

We have at present nineteen (19) men's organizations in register on the Synodical list, of which twelve reported to the membership committee an active membership of three hundred and thirty-eight (338). If we include the organizations not listed, the total membership of our Synodical Brotherhood is far above the five hundred (500) mark.

God Our Heavenly Father has given us the strength to go forward and upward in the years gone by, and hope to do greater things in the future.

May we in passing report to you that the official strength of the Brotherhood of the U. L. C. A. is over seventy-eight thousand (78,000) members.

God grant you His blessings in this convention, that you will do that which will be to the Glory and Honor of Him, who is the King of Kings and Lord of Lords, Jesus Christ our Lord and Master.

Respectfully submitted,
Wm. F. Kedde, President

The Report of The Missionary Committee was presented by President J. C. Hershey. The Report of the Auditor of the books of the Missionary Committee Treasurer was presented and adopted.

REPORT OF THE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE

Five meetings were held since the last meeting of Synod. The officers of this committee are as follows: Mr. Otto Nelson, president; Dr. J. C. Hershey, secretary; and Rev. A. H. Pinkall, treasurer.

Broadwater: Organized July, 1934. Rev. E. F. Rohlfing became the pastor September, 1937. Considering the fact that 54 out of the confirmed membership moved outside the bounds of the parish this past year, the pastor has done exceptionally good work to increase the communing membership from 113 to 119. The books show a balance of $184.62 at the end of the year. Among the improvements are, parsonage painted with one coat of white paint, church yard graded in preparation for landscaping; and the planting of grass, flowers and shrubs. As an outside activity, the church co-sponsored with other churches a scout troop.

Columbus: Organized in 1931. The pastor, Rev. E. A. Dorner resigned to become effective September 15. Considerable trouble and a division of the congregation has retarded the progress of this mission. Located in a fine residential section of the city, the Missionary Committee believes it is wise to continue the work. Rev. Kenneth de Freese, a senior in the seminary and a licentiate of Synod, has been called and will take up his duties as regular pastor June 1. Since the resignation of the pastor the congregation has been served by the missionary superintendent of Synod, professors of the seminary, and

occasionally a student. Rev. de Freese having received a call to become the regular pastor, is now devoting his full time, outside of his seminary class work, to the pastorate. He reports the attendance is increasing each Sunday. The mission continues to reduce its indebtedness about $200 every year. The property is in excellent condition.

Ericson: Organized in 1898. Because of a limited field and the evidence of no progress over a period of many years, your committee has taken the following action relative to this field:

Whereas, it has been impractical for us to care for the work at Ericson, therefore,

Be it resolved, that with the consent of the Executive Committee of Synod the Ericson parish be turned over to some other Lutheran body. Adopted.

Luther Memorial, Omaha: Organized May, 1936. Rev. G. E. Moeller became the first pastor October, 1937, and continues to shepherd this mission. This year's report reveals that the communing membership has more than doubled since this congregation moved into its new chapel. What was a cornfield is now a fine home-owned residential district. A new $6,000 parsonage has been built east of the chapel. It will be paid for through the amortization plan. A marble font costing $260, is a gift of a friend to the church.

Scribner: Organized April, 1935. Rev. C. M. N. Alexander resigned August 15 in order to accept a call to Hillsdale, Michigan. Rev. R. V. Davis accepted a call and arrived on the field December 1, 1941. The attendance is on the increase. The congregation is planning to purchase lots for a building site as soon as a suitable place can be found.

Spencer: Organized 1930. Rev. M. B. Simon became the pastor February, 1941. Interest and attendance is continually increasing. A new altar has been installed and dedicated. Pastor Simon reports Lenten Services well attended.

Wolbach: Organized 1903. Pastor E. N. Haugse resigned July the 15 to accept a call to First Church, South Sioux City. For a few Sundays this mission was supplied by students from Western Seminary. Dr. C. B. Harman has taken over the work and reports increased attendance in Sunday School and church services. A class of twelve was confirmed Palm Sunday, and 112 received Holy Communion Wednesday evening of Holy Week and Easter Sunday. This congregation no longer receives financial aid from the mission funds nor from the Board of American Missions.

Scottsbluff: This rapidly growing city in the pan-handle district of our state has been surveyed by the Board of American Missions. The Board returned to your committee a negative report. Not being satisfied with the report, your committee has taken action to continue the survey made by the Board and if at all possible start a congregation in this field.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. Hershey

THE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF NEBRASKA

Omaha, Nebraska

Treasurer's Report for Period February 28, 1941 to March 31, 1942.
Depository: Stock Yards National Bank of South Omaha, Nebraska.

Receipts

Received from Evangelical Synod of Nebraska on apportionment—regular	$1,516.70
Balance on hand February 28, 1942	303.64
Received from St. James Lutheran Church, 40 and Randolph St., Lincoln Nebraska	190.00
Total of Receipts plus Balance	**$2,010.34**

Disbursements

13 months salary to J. C. Hershey	$ 325.00
13 months salary to G. E. Moeller	520.00
Salary to E. A. Dorner	50.01
Rev. S. Frederick—Homer Relief	226.60
United Evangelical Lutheran—Columbus	65.00
Committee meals, travel expense	50.10
Bonding Treasurer—A. H. Pinkall	10.00
John Rhine—Rural conference, Chicago—Expense	20.00
Total Disbursements	$1,266.71
$2,010.34 less $1,266.71 leaves BALANCE ON HAND	$ 743.63

Respectfuly submitted,
A. H. Pinkall, Treasurer

To the Missionary Committee Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska:

This is to certify that the books of your treasurer have been audited by me this 11th day of April, 1942 and found correct.

Balance on hand as shown by Stock Yards National Bank of South Omaha, Omaha, Nebraska, is	$848.63
(3) Outstanding checks No. 54-56 and 57	105.00
Balance on hand March 31st, 1942	$743.63

Respectfully submitted,
H. G. Gamerl

The Report of the Foreign Missions Committee was presented by the Rev. H. Dumler.

There was a brief season of prayer for the Rev. George Flora and his family. Prayers were offered by Dr. G. K. Rubrecht and Dr. L. H. Lesher.

A motion carried that Dr. C. B. Harman send a greeting from Synod to the Rev. George Flora.

REPORT OF FOREIGN MISSIONS COMMITTEE

The Situation of Our Missionaries in Japan, China and India.

Japan—After the outbreak of the war on December 7th, the three missionaries remaining in Japan, Dr. Arthur J. Stirewalt, Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Charles William Hepner, became alien enemies. Word has been received through the Department of State in Washington that Dr. Hepner was interned. Mrs. Hepner's name was not reported, which leads to the assumption that she is at her home under restrictions. As for Dr. Stirewalt, a cablegram to his daughter in Charleston, South Carolina, also through the State Department, announced that he was in his usual health and comfortable at home.

China—As for our missionaries in China, we have had no word from them. They are Rev. Dr. Luther Grady Cooper, Rev. and Mrs. Charles H. Reinbrecht and two children, Rev. and Mrs. Malcolm D. Shutters and the following single women missionaries: Miss Catherine Stirewalt, Lydia Reich, R. N., Mae Rohlfs, R. N., Erva Moody, Clara Sullivan. In addition the following German missionaries are in our employ at Tsingtao: Rev. and Mrs. Theodore Scholz, Mrs. W. Matzat, Miss Frieda Strecker. It is to be assumed that the American missionaries are confined to their homes or interned, while the German missionaries are carrying on as best they can. Unfortunately it has been impossible to send any money to our China field, but they had some reserve and special funds on which they could draw for

living expenses, if need be. Moreover it is quite certain that the Chinese Lutherans in the Shantung Province are rendering whatever assistance they can to our missionaries.

India—There has been no interruption of the transmission of funds to our India mission. In fact the Board of Foreign Missions has made financial provision for the mission and missionaries two months in advance, which also applies to our mission and missionaries in Liberia.

On account of the difficulties and dangers of travel by sea, the Board has asked the India missionaries whose furloughs were due this year to remain in India and extend their term of service; but they chose to take the risk of returning to America by ship. They are Rev. and Mrs. A. F. Neudoerffer, Rev. and Mrs. L. W. Slifer and five children, Mrs. J. Russell Fink and three children, and Robert Dolbeer.

India missionaries on furlough as well as those from Japan and China, on furlough or evacuated before the war, are not able to return to their fields, and temporary employment is found for them in America with the understanding that India missionaries will be returned when the way opens. Japan missionaries may be returned only if the Lutheran Church in Japan asks for them.

Missionaries on furlough from Liberia and South America will be returned whenever transportation for them can be secured. This applies also to any new missionaries for these fields. For the difficulties and complexities of our foreign mission work, we must exercise patience and hope, as we rely on the sympathetic understanding and unwavering support of the Home Church. After the war is over, greater opportunities await us, for which we should build up reserve resources. Indeed the Board of Foreign Missions has deliberately and prayerfully resolved that as soon as we can, a new field should be secured and a number of possibilities already have been explored.

Centennial Fund

It is not possible at this date (March 18th) to give a full report of the result of the Foreign Missions Centennial Appeal in January, 1942. Money sent through synodical treasurers and the treasurer of the United Lutheran Church reach the treasury of the Board of Foreign Missions three or four months after they have been contributed. To date receipts amount to approximately $20,000.00. For as many as 38 Centennial Chapels, contributions or pledges of $250.00 each have thus far been received and the indications are that all 50 for which the appeal was made will be subscribed. "The Children of the Church" have contributed $2,300 for nine Centennial Chapels. The Luther League is raising $10,000 for Luthergiri Theological Seminary, Rajahmundry, India, which we expect to be in addition to the $50,000 raised by the January Foreign Missions Time Appeal.

A meeting of the Committee was held in Fremont at which time Dr. Finefrock presented the plan of the Board for the India Centennial Appeal. The Committee contacted all parishes three times by mail urging participation in the Centennial Appeal during Epiphany Season. Also urged all pastors and congregations to use the literature furnished by the Board.

An itinerary for Rev. George Flora was worked out and great interest in missions has been reported in parishes where he has spoken and shown his pictures. The itinerary includes all parishes of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,
Henry Dumler, Chairman

The tellers reported fifty-one votes cast for Statistician. The Rev. W. H. Saas received 49 votes, a necessary majority for election. The President declared the Rev. Saas elected.

The Report of the Committee on Social Missions was presented by Dr. A. O. Frank.

COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL MISSIONS

The work of the synodical committee on social missions is to promote and further the program of the national committee in our district synod. Thus the synodical committee becomes the agency for the church in fostering evangelism, inner missions, and social action in the local congregations. The only way social missions can become constructive is to make the work effective congregationally.

In accord with the recommendation adopted at Synod last year, the Fall Conferences gave special consideration to the topics of "evangelism and stewardship". The enthusiastic response to these periods, warrant a continuation of the discussion topics at the conference meetings.

Your committee again wishes to urge upon the pastors and local congregations that they give emphasis during these trying times to the use of devotional literature by offering it for sale or distributing it at services. Also that special week day services and communion services be provided in such areas where members are working seven days a week on defense projects. That we encourage all members to read religious books and our church magazines to help maintain their religious life. That calling committees keep in touch with workers who can not come to services and with transients or temporary residents.

Also in these times the parents and wives of service men, may need special spiritual nurture and comfort.

Keep in constant touch with the members in service by letter, gifts of service books, Bibles and devotional helps which may be carried.

Congregational social missions is the vital factor in expressional service.

Respectfully submitted,
Alfred O. Frank, Chairman

The Report of the Synodical Paper Committee was presented by the Rev. H. Dumler. The recommendation was adopted.

COMMITTEE ON SYNODICAL PAPER

We recommend that $350.00 be appropriated by Synod for the purpose of printing the Nebraska Synod Lutheran, six issues a year, that an editor be appointed and that each Conference be responsible for the gathering and sending to the editor news from their conference.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. Hershey, Chairman

A motion carried that if there is no election on the second ballot for clerical member of the Midland College Board of Trustees, the third ballot be limited to the two men receiving the highest number of votes on the second ballot.

Mr. A. E. Hecker was nominated for lay member to the Midland College Board of Trustees.

A motion carried that the nominations be closed.

A motion carried that the rules be suspended and that the Secretary be instructed to cast the ballot of

Synod for Mr. A. E. Hecker as lay member of the Midland College Board of Trustees. The Secretary cast the ballot and the President declared Mr. Hecker elected.

The Report of the Midland Assembly Board was presented by Dr. A. O. Frank.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS OF THE MIDLAND SUMMER ASSEMBLY

The Midland Summer Assembly for Church Workers is no longer an experiment. It is one of the strong training schools of the Lutheran Church. The assembly uses the facilities of the college, hence the name, but has no official connection with Midland College as a school. The assembly is a project of Synod which deserves and asks for the wholehearted support of every pastor and congregation on this territory.

The 19th annual assembly was held last August 3-8 inclusive with Alfred O. Frank as Dean. The annual convention of the Nebraska Women's Missionary Society was held in conjunction with the assembly and contributed a large number of the registrants. This combination is a happy arrangement.

The faculty consisted of the Rev. E. A. Piper, President of the Iowa Synod, Fairfield, Iowa; the Rev. Arthur H. Getz, Parish and Church School Board, Philadelphia; the Rev. Grover E. Swoyer, D. D., Mansfield, Ohio; Rev. Alfred O. Frank, D. D., Fremont, Nebraska; Miss Nona Diehl, Executive Secretary of the Women's Missionary Society, Philadelphia; Mrs. G. Keller Rubrecht, North Platte, Nebraska; Miss Lilith Schwab and Mrs. L. S. G. Miller, missionaries on furlough from India and Japan, respectively. The Rev. W. H. Saas served as director of the Youth Assembly and Miss Amanda Jorn, Falls City, as Director of the Junior Assembly.

Over 200 workers from various congregations attended sessions. Thirty workers received recognition cards from the Parish Board for credit courses.

The 20th anniversary assembly will be held in August 2-7 inclusive assuring a faculty equal to any Lutheran assembly in the nation.

Officers elected for the year are:

President—Alfred O. Frank, Fremont.
Vice President—Carl H. Berhenke, Omaha.
Secretary—Willard W. Alexander, Hooper.
Treasurer—Mrs. O. L. Sturtevant, Lincoln.

Respectfully submitted,
Alfred O. Frank, President.

Mr. O. L. Sturtevant was nominated for Trustee to the Tabitha Home Board. The nominations were closed. The Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of Synod for Mr. O. L. Sturtevant as Trustee to the Tabitha Home Board. The Secretary cast the ballot and the President declared Mr. Sturtevant elected.

The Reports of the Young People's Committee and of the Luther League of Nebraska were presented by the Rev. C. H. Berhenke. The recommendations in the Luther League Report were adopted.

The Rev. J. S. Rhine reported on the Young People's Camp held by the young people from several of the congregations in the Western Conference. A motion carried that this Report be included with the Report of the Young People's Committee.

The Rev. W. S. Livers spoke on the Luther League Camp to be held at Camp Sheldon, Columbus, Nebraska, from August 9-15, 1942.

A motion carried that Synod allow $75 for underwriting the Luther League Camps.

REPORT TO SYNOD BY THE COMMITTEE ON YOUNG PEOPLE

During the past year the Luther League Camp was held profitably, both spiritually and financially. During the present year conditions may force the increase in price. We hope this will not affect camp adversely.

A camp for the young people of Western Nebraska was held last year in the Medicine Bow National Forest in Wyoming. Twelve young people from three congregations camped for four days in tents by Silver Lake on Snowy Range. Another camp for the young people of Western Nebraska, including two Augustana Synod Churches, is being planned for this Summer to be held at Skyline Ranch in the Wyoming Rockies.

Two district conferences were held for the Luther League. The synod of the Midwest and the Midwest Luther League cooperated in only one this year.

At a special meeting of the Parish Education Committee and the Committee on Young People, plans for a unified and augmented program were discussed. A plan is ready for suggestion when called for.

The proposed plan calls for an enlarged Parish Education Committee with subcommittees assigned to the Children of the Church, Young People, Men, Women, and Church School. The chairmen of the subcommittees would compose the Parish Promotion Committee, a new name for the Parish Education Committee.

Respectfully submitted,
C. H. Berhenke

REPORT OF THE LUTHER LEAGUE OF NEBRASKA TO THE SYNOD OF NEBRASKA

The Luther League of Nebraska again takes pleasure in making this direct report of our activities so that they may be known to all pastors and lay delegates to the synod for 1942.

We are faced with great problems and lots of discouragements as our young men go forth to serve their country of which our past president Edwin Berger was called. Nevertheless, we shall strive to do our part to carry on our League and to help carry on with the older members of our churches so that the kingdom of God will continue on regardless of all these disappointments. This will all be done through God's divine help and guidance.

Activities

The Annual Camp Convention for 1941 was held at Camp Sheldon, August 10-15. The total registration of 113 which exceeded the enrollment of 1940 by an addition of six. This is very gratifying and we pray that more will be with us because of our much improved program for 1942.

Four resolutions of importance adopted at the 1941 Camp Convention were: (1) That the twelve goal program which has been set up for the guiding of local Leagues be adopted, also that credit be given to those reaching the goals. (2) That the "If I Were" series be compiled in booklet form and presented to each League. (3) That the Luther League of Nebraska become a Sustaining Member of the Luther League of America. (4) That we send the president of the Luther League of Nebraska to Synod.

Missionary Objective

The Luther League of Nebraska is supporting the Missionary objective of the Luther League of America. It is a bi-annual project with the present objective starting in 1942 and will be finished by the dates of the National Convention in 1943. The project is a Seminary for Indian boys in Luthergiri, India. Let's do it again as we did our last objective.

The Luther League of Nebraska dues has gone from $115.00 to $160.00 for 1942.

We showed a vast improvement on our Sustaining Membership Fund for 1941 paying $48.10 of our $55.00. Our 1942 Sustaining Membership Fund quota is $80.00. So, we have a long way to go this year on our dues and Sustaining Membership Fund.

Recommendations

1. (A) That pastors of congregations not having youth organizations organize a Luther League NOW and adopt the program as set up by the Luther League of America in "Advancing with Christ, in Thought, in Prayer and in Action."

(B) That pastors of congregations which have League groups not affiliated with the State League encourage them to do so.

2. That members of Synod make adequate announcements of the time and place of the forthcoming State Camp-Convention and encourage their young people to attend and take advantage of the opportunity of the fellowship in Biblical Study and wholesome recreation.

3. That members of Synod familiarize themselves more fully with the Luther League program and its departments and objective, and to encourage support of the "Sustaining Membership Fund" of the Luther League of America.

4. Help the Young People to carry on in these times and as we go into the uncertain future.

The Luther League of Nebraska pledges to cooperate in all ways possible to support the work of the Lord our God through the Synod of Nebraska. Remember, "If we do not forsake God he will not forsake us."

God grant that we carry on our good works in His name and to the glory of God of the Church, by the Church, for the Church.

Respectfully submitted,
Don Hill, President.

The tellers reported forty-eight votes cast for clerical member to the Midland College Board of Trustees. The Rev. J. B. Rupley, Sr., received 30 votes, a necessary majority for election. The President declared Rev. Rupley, Sr., elected.

The Report of the Women's Missionary Society was presented.

REPORT OF THE WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

For the year ending June 30, 1941

As reported to Nebraska Synod in May, 1942

The Women's Missionary Society of the Synod of Nebraska held its annual Convention in conjunction with Midland Assembly at Fremont, August 4, to August 8, 1941. Copies of the program, reports, and minutes have been placed in the hands of your Secretary.

During the year ending June 30, 1941, a total of 61 women's societies had reported. During the year the term "young women societies" was dropped and all became women's societies. The total membership reported for the year was 1069. $6,138.08, for all funds, was handled by our Treasurer. Six Conferences were held in the six districts of the Synodical Society in addition to the annual Convention.

The following officers were elected at the convention:

President—Mrs. Walter A. Voss, Omaha
Vice-President—Mrs. G. Keller Rubrecht, North Platte
Secretary—Mrs. Mabel Pfleuger, Emerson
Treasurer—Mrs W. F. Ottmann, Omaha
Statistician—Mrs. Wallace Livers, Ponca

At this time our Treasurer reported that our Synodical quota for the India Centennial Love Gift was $1,120.00 and of that amount $639.36 had already been raised.

In November Dr. Walter A. Voss accepted a call to Sioux City, Iowa. This made it necessary for our President, Mrs. Voss to resign. It was with sincere regret that the Board accepted her resignation. The Vice-President, Mrs. G. Keller Rubrecht, was elected by the Board to fill the unexpired term. Mrs. O. L. Sturtevant was elected Vice-President.

Convinced that the hope of the world lies in a reawakening of spiritual values, the Women's Missionary Society goes forward into a world at war and beyond, pledging full allegiance to the whole program of our beloved Church as she faces her world task.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. G. Keller Rubrecht, President

The following men were nominated for lay delegates to the Convention of the United Lutheran Church in America to be held in Louisville, Kentucky: H. Wochner, M. Christensen, C. R. Miller, E. Deckert, A. J. Manser, O. L. Sturtevant, S. A. Wassum, W. A. Heuer, O. Nelson, Percy Seymour and A. T. Yost.

The Report of the Parish Education Committee was presented by the Rev. W. H. Saas. The recommendation presented by the Rev. C. H. Berhenke in connection with this Report was adopted.

REPORT OF PARISH EDUCATION COMMITTEE

We are grateful to the Pastors of Synod who cooperated with Secretary Getz on his itinerary in the territory of Synod. This year Secretary Spees will be with us. We recommend your cooperation in the meetings held in your parish or vicinity. This is always an opportunity to ask questions or suggest improvements in Parish Education to members of the Board when in our territory.

During the past year a joint meeting was held at Midland College of the Parish Education Committee and the Young People's Committee. The result of this meeting was the recommendation of

the joint committee to present to the Executive Committee and to Synod a Unified Education Plan. The Rev. C. H. Berhenke was named to present the plan both to the Executive Committee and to Synod.

In June Committeeman W. W. Alexander attended the Mid-West Regional Parish Education Conference at Maywood, Illinois, with no expense charge to Synod for his attendance. The report given to the Regional Conference was as follows:

A. An itinerary was worked out for Secretary Getz.

B. Children of the Church was recommended for use by every congregation.

C. Use of the Parish School magazines by every congregation.

D. Efforts made to increase church school attendance.

E. Workers were encouraged to participate in leadership education courses.

F. Used materials prepared for Parents of newly confirmed.

G. Promoted use of Guide and Standards.

H. Secured necessary allowance to cover expenses of committee.

I. Increased efforts to promote week day and vacation church schools.

J. Encouraged use of Christian Youth Series.

K. Urged organization of Parish Education Cabinets in congregations.

L. Encouraged use of visual aids.

In addition to the report of the past year, we recommend Synod's Cooperation with Secretary E. Spees on his itinerary. Chairman W. H. Saas and the Rev. Oelke of the Mid-West Synod are planning.

Respectfully submitted,
Willard W. Alexander, Committeeman

PROPOSED PLAN FOR PARISH PROMOTION COMMITTEE

It is hereby recommended that the Parish Education Committee and the Young People's Committee be discontinued in favor of the Parish Promotion Committee.

The Parish Promotion Committee shall consist of a general chairman and five members. Each of the five members to become chairmen of sub-committees responsible for the promotion of the following groups within synod: Children of the Church, Youth of the Church, Women of the Church, Men of the Church, and Church Schools.

Additional members may be added to these sub-committees as needed.

C. H. Berhenke, Chairman

Dr. A. M. Knudsen, Secretary of the Divison of English Missions of the Board of American Missions, was introduced and spoke briefly on the work of Home Missions.

The Report of the Merger Committee was presented by President J. C. Hershey. The recommendations were considered seriatim. Recommendations 1, 2 and 3 were adopted. The recommendations were adopted as a whole.

REPORT OF COMMISSION ON MERGER

Your Commission on Merger met with the commissioners of the other two Synods November 13, 1941 in a conference room in the Kansas City rail road station. After reviewing past actions and considering the advisability to continue merger negotiations, your commissioners offer the following recommendations:

1. That we adhere to the Washington Declaration as our position in dealing with secret societies.
2. That we organize conferences on geographical lines rather than Synodical boundaries within the proposed merged Synod.
3. That the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska maintain a commission on merger, the same to be composed of the President and Secretary and one layman to be appointed by the Executive Committee of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,
Merger commission
J. C. Hershey, Chairman

A motion carried that if there is no election on the second ballot for clerical delegates, the third ballot be limited to the eight men receiving the highest number of votes on the second ballot.

The tellers reported forty-nine votes cast for lay delegates to the Convention of the United Lutheran Church in America. The following received necessary majorities for election: H. Wochner 41, O. L. Sturtevant 37, O. Nelson 33, A. J. Manser 31 and A. T. Yost 31. The President declared these men elected.

Dr. O. W. Ebright, Superintendent of Tabitha Home, was introduced to Synod.

The Report of the Reporter to The Lutheran was presented by Dr. A. O. Frank.

The Report of the Committee on Consolidation of Church Papers was presented by Dr. A. O. Frank.

REPORT OF SYNODICAL REPORTER TO "THE LUTHERAN"

Scripture teaches, "Publish and conceal not". Under the heading "Cornhusker News" information of general interest concerning our synodical work and institutions has appeared in ten issues of "The Lutheran" during the past year. Judging by the space our official church paper gives to news letters, this department is one of the most widely read by subscribers. Nebraska Synod will receive more churchwide publicity if pastors will take time to send programs or information of special items of interest in their congregation to the synodical reporter. Personal interest pictures are also desired. Your reporter wishes to thank all who have co-operated in the past and solicits your continued interest in giving Nebraska Synod more national publicity.

Respectfully submitted,
Alfred O. Frank, Reporter

COMMITTEE ON CONSOLIDATION OF CHURCH PERIODICALS

The U. L. C. A. Committee to Define Church Paper Policy is required to make a report to the National Convention in Louisville this fall. This Committee requested all synods to file a statement of their personal sentiments concerning a long range policy of consolidation of church periodicals. Your synodical committee recognizes

the many and complicated problems involved in this project, since so many interest groups are involved. It is the conviction of your committee that a lesser number of periodicals is desirable but involves a financial, mechanical and editorial problem which synods cannot solve.

Your committee feels that in Nebraska a less expensive, specialized interest group periodical is likely to reach a larger total number of subscribers than would a consolidated but also more expensive periodical. We advocate an educational campaign for the purpose of creating among church people an awareness of the need for an informed membership, such as only the reading of church periodicals can give.

Respectfully yours,
A. O. Frank

Greetings from Dr. P. O. Machetzki were read.

A motion carried that the alternate lay delegates to the Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America be elected from the nominees remaining after the regular lay delegates were elected.

A motion carried that the name of Marius Christensen be withdrawn at his own request as a nominee for alternate lay delegate to the Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America.

A motion carried that the rules be suspended and that the Secretary be instructed to cast the ballot of Synod for Messrs. W. A. Heuer, E. Deckert, S. A. Wassum, C. R. Miller and Percy Seymour as the alternate lay delegates to the Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America. The Secretary cast the ballot and the President declared these men elected.

A motion carried that we re-convene at 1:30 p. m.

The Rev. D. L. McConnel, pastor at Rockport, Missouri, was introduced to Synod.

The tellers reported forty-eight votes cast on the second ballot for clerical delegates to the Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America. Dr. L. H. Lesher received 33 votes and Dr. G. K. Rubrecht 30 votes, necessary majorities for election. The President declared these men elected.

The ballot was taken for the remaining two clerical delegates.

The session adjourned at 12:12 p. m. Prayer was offered by Dr. A. M. Knudsen.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

The Devotional Service at 1:30 p. m. was in charge of Chaplain C. B. Harman.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel announced the order of business for the session.

The Rev. C. H. Berhenke proposed an amendment to the Synodical Constitution.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

That in Article VIII, Section three, line one, found on page seventeen, the word "three" be stricken and the word "two" be inserted in its place. The section would thus read "The President of Synod shall be elected for a term of two Synodical years".

C. H. Berhenke — G. E. Moeller — H. Vance Baird
A. O. Frank — H. J. Goede — F. W. Henkel
A. H. Pinkall

The tellers reported forty-three votes cast on the third ballot for clerical delegates to the Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America. The Rev. W. A. Klink received 29 votes and Dr. A. O. Frank 22 votes, necessary majorities for election. The President declared these men elected.

The Report of the Committee on Ministerial Pensions and Relief was presented by the Rev. F. S. Delo.

BENEFICIARIES OF THE BOARD OF MINISTERIAL PENSIONS AND RELIEF OF THE NEBRASKA SYNOD

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Retired Ministers	Pension	Relief
Rev. Oliver D. Baltzly R. F. D. 1, Backus, Minn.	$300.00	
Rev. Frank S. Delo Hardy, Nebr.	300.00	
Rev. William I. Guss 127 North 40th Street, Omaha, Nebr.	300.00	
Widows		
Mrs. Almira J. Albright 417 Sunset Avenue, La Grange, Ill.	200.00	$ 50.00
Mrs. Josephine Altman 807 Reba Place, Evanston, Ill.	200.00	
Mrs. Cornelia Bollman Shickley, Nebr.	200.00	
Mrs. Mathilda Frank 2891 Webster Street, Omaha, Nebr.	200.00	
Mrs. Martha De Freese 736 E. 10th Street, Fremont, Nebr.	200.00	
Mrs. Rose A. Gettle Blue Springs, Nebr.	200.00	
Mrs. Emma Heiner 994 California Avenue, San Jose, Calif.	200.00	
Mrs. Elizabeth R. Keller 111 N. Sheridan Road, Waukegan, Ill.	200.00	
Mrs. Halla K. Lewis 748 East Military, Fremont, Nebr.	200.00	
Mrs. Anna J. Lowe 3557 Jackson Street, Omaha, Nebr.	200.00	
Mrs. Josephine Schimmelpfennig Humphrey, Nebr.	200.00	
Mrs. Mary Jane Weaver Marquette, Nebr.	200.00	
Mrs. Augusta White 1624 A Street, Lincoln, Nebr.	200.00	

The Committee

The Report of the Committee on Promoting Subscriptions to The Lutheran was presented by the Rev. F. S. Delo.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE "ON THE LUTHERAN"

Your Committee would report that we the Church are making progress in circulating our LUTHERAN. Since the campaign began 8,000 new subscriptions have been secured.

One circular letter was sent to the Pastors of the Synod; the matter was presented to one conference. One congregation has prosecuted a successful canvass.

Respectfully submitted,
The Committee.

The Report of the Committee on Conference Minutes was presented by Mr. Thomas Lipps.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINUTES OF CONFERENCE

Your committee on minutes of conference has examined the minutes of the meetings held in 1941 and have found that the conferences have complied with the constitution of Synod.

There being no recommendations to Synod there is nothing further to report.

Respectfully submitted,
H. Joens, Chairman

The Report of the Committee on President's Report was presented by the Rev. J. B. Rupley, Sr. The recommendations of the President's Report were considered seriatim. Recommendation 1 was adopted; recommendation 2 was adopted as amended; recommendation 3 was adopted; recommendation 4 was adopted as amended; recommendation 5 was adopted; recommendation 6 was adopted as amended. The recommendations were adopted as a whole as amended.

COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The report of our President presented by him to this convention has been carefully reviewed by your Committee. The report clearly reveals a faithful and large service on the part of our President. The picture presented of the life, activity and spirit of the Church is most encouraging.

Under the heading "Anniversaries"—Nebraska City," we wish to make a correction. Instead of the "60th anniversary" it should read the "75th anniversary."

The recommendations included in the report are as follows:

1. That the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska humbly and gratefully acknowledge the presence of God in all her deliberations and undertakings and that we pray for His continued blessings.

2. That the officers of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska be authorized to sell 7.15 acres of land located in Pawnee County and that the proceeds be placed in the treasury of the Mission Committee, and that these proceeds be held in trust Until St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church at Falls City, Nebraska, shall erect the second story of their church building; at which time these aforesaid funds shall be turned over to the Falls City congregation to be used for a window in memory of founders of the Kerl Lutheran Congregation near Pawnee City, Nebraska.

3. That the causes of the whole Church be faithfully presented to the congregations of Synod.

4. That each pastor make a special effort to increase payment on the apportioned benevolence of his congregation each year until the full amount is reached.

5. That pastors choose prayerfully young men of their congregations and present to them the claims of the Gospel ministry.

6. That during the month of May we urge our congregations to meet their quota for "Lutheran World Action."

Your committee recommends their adoption.

We would earnestly request prayerful support and cooperation of all our members with our President.

Respectfully submitted,
John B. Rupley

The tellers reported forty-one votes cast for alternate clerical delegates to the Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America. The Rev. A. H. Pinkall received 30 votes and the Rev. H. C. Cordts 27 votes, necessary majorities for election. The President declared these men elected.

The Committee on Letters and Papers had no report to make.

The Report of the Trustees on the Tabitha Home Board was presented by Dr. L. H. Lesher. Dr. O. W. Ebright, Superintendent of Tabitha Home, spoke to this Report.

TABITHA HOME REPORT FOR 1941

We give thanks to God for a prosperous 1941. Every item of income exceeded that of 1940 and several years previous. $5,000.00 was paid on the loan from the building fund before December 31 and to date $2,500.00 more has been paid.

Dr. M. A. Ritzen, on the advice of his physician, resigned as Superintendent and terminated his service at Tabitha Home June 30, 1941. Rev. O. W. Ebright of Emporia, Kansas was extended a call and accepted, beginning his superintendency of Tabitha Home July 1, 1941. We appreciate the fine work done by Dr. Ritzen and we believe that we have an excellent Superintendent in Rev. Ebright, and that conditions at Tabitha Home are better than ever before.

Even though we practiced the utmost economy our expenditures were approximately the same as in previous years. Every possible means of economy has been effected without impairing the service to our aged and children. Our aged and children must have proper medical care and all must be sufficiently fed and clothed. We realize that more and more, it is necessary for us to look to our people for donations and bequests.

Sister Ida Klucker whose services meant so much to Tabitha Home passed to her reward in August. Since her retirement from Tabitha Home she had been in the Mother House at Baltimore. Miss Harriet Kjerulff who was our secretary for a number of years, resigned and terminated her services July 15, 1941.

No special effort was made on the Building Fund, but a number of bequests and contributions have come in. A new building constructed of brick and concrete houses our new heating plant, consisting of two boilers and stokers sufficient to heat the proposed new building, the parsonage, and boys' dormitory. This building also contains a large laundry room and garage for four cars. The total

cost of building and equipment was $14,196.00 and this is the first unit of the new building.

Collected on the new building fund to December 31, 1941—$33,104.00, pledges outstanding estimated at between $10,000.00 and $12,000.00. The Board believes it advisable to keep this project before the people and to canvas those congregations not yet canvassed. The need for a new building grows greater each year. Our aged roll now is 65, children 41. Every room in the aged department is occupied including the guest room and more are asking for admittance.

Respectfully submitted,
L. H. Lesher

TABITHA HOME
1941
RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

Receipts

For Aged	$10,168.56	
For Orphanage	1,545.62	
Interest	456.17	
District Synods	4,016.53	
Donations	11,454.51	
Bequests	4,165.57	
Tabitha Home Messenger	2.35	
Community Chest	2,716.00	
Received on Gage County Electric Co., Collection and Liquidation Certificate	850.00	
Received from Sale of Property	1,536.61	
Total Receipts		$36,911.92

Disbursements

Salaries	$ 9,929.57	
Printing	473.77	
Telephone and Telegraph	157.25	
Auto Expense	507.28	
Auditing and Legal	110.00	
Freight, Express, and Postage	469.38	
Travel Expense	322.20	
Laundry	1,026.07	
Heat, Light and Gas	2,707.43	
Repairs	765.84	
Insurance	606.24	
Interest	317.62	
Taxes	1,059.50	
Water	438.97	
House Supplies	506.19	
Miscellaneous Expense	414.60	
Food	4,202.65	
Clothing	26.10	
Medical Relief	699.27	
Funeral Expense	165.58	
Repayment of Loans	5,034.49	
Yard Improvements	16.10	
Purchase of Miscellaneous Equipment	96.60	
Cemetery Lots	40.00	
Total Disbursements		$30,092.70

The tellers reported forty-eight votes cast on the second ballot for alternate clerical delegates to the Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America. The

Rev. E. F. Rohlfing received 34 votes and Dr. T. D. Rinde 25, necessary majorities for election. The President declared these men elected.

A motion carried that if there is no election on the third ballot for alternate clerical delegates, the fourth ballot be limited to the two men receiving the highest number of votes on the third ballot.

The Report of the Committee on Resolutions was presented by the Rev. K. Gigstad. The Report was adopted.

REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Be It Resolved:

1. That the Synod be thankful to God for the blessings that have been so liberally enjoyed during the past year.
2. That Synod express its hearty appreciation to the representative of the United Lutheran Church in America, Dr. C. A. Robertson, president of the Kentucky-Tennessee Synod, for his inspiring message and timely advice during the sessions of Synod.
3. That we acknowledge with gratitude, the presence of Dr. C. P. Harry, Secretary of the Board of Education of the United Lutheran Church in America, and that Synod pledge its hearty co-operation and support to this board and its work.
4. That the Synod acknowledge with pleasure the presence of Dr. A. M. Knudsen of the Board of American Missions.
5. That Synod feels greatly indebted to Dr. C. B. Harman for his messages brought to Synod as Synodical Chaplain.
6. That we express our appreciation to the officers of the Synod for their faithful service in the affairs of this body.
7. That Synod greatly appreciates the many years of faithful service of Dr. T. D. Rinde as secretary of this Synod.
8. That Synod show its deep appreciation to the Women's Missionary Society, the Lutheran Brotherhood and the Luther League, of the Nebraska Synod for their very efficient service to Synod and the Church.
9. That Synod deeply appreciates the work of Midland College and Western Seminary and Tabitha Home, and that it pledges anew its full support to these institutions.
10. That in this crisis brought about by the World War the Synod pledges its full support to our government.
11. That, conscious of humanity's great need of the Word of God, we recommend the heartiest support of the observance of Universal Bible Sunday, December 13, and express our support of the American Bible Society and its work.
12. That Synod acknowledges its great indebtedness to Pastor and Mrs. H. C. Cordts and his congregation for their able care and entertainment of this convention of Synod and that this resolution be read in the presence of the local congregation at the Sunday services.

Respectfully submitted,
Wm. Theo. Kahse, Chairman

The Report of the Committee on Claims was presented by the Rev. E. C. Mortensen. The Report was adopted.

COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS

Your Committee presents the following claims, and recommends that they be paid.

Henry Dumler (postage and stationery)	$ 3.50
H. C. Cordts (Telegram)	.66
C. H. Berhenke (Mileage)	10.20
W. H. Saas (Postage and Stationery)	3.00

Respectfully submitted,
E. C. Mortensen, Chairman.

The Report of the Committee on Leave of Absence was presented by the Rev. Paul Wiegman. The Report was adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Your committee recommends the following persons excused:

1. G. Gieschen, Wednesday afternoon.
2. F. L. Cress, Wednesday afternoon.
3. Grant Newman, lay-delegate of Hampton, Nebr., from all sessions.
4. H. Joens, Tuesday morning and Wednesday afternoon.
5. Arthur Armbright, lay-delegate of Dakota City (Salem), Tuesday morning and Wednesday afternoon.
6. P. W. H. Frederick, Tuesday morning.
7. W. I. Guss, from all sessions.
8. Ben F. Owen, lay-delegate of First Lutheran, Omaha, from all sessions.
9. O. D. Baltzly, from all sessions.
10. F. C. Wiegman, from all sessions.
11. G. E. Mortensen, from all sessions.
12. G. R. Flora, from all sessions.
13. G. H. Hartwig, fram all sessions.

Respectfully submitted,
F. W. Henkel, Chairman

The tellers reported fifty-two votes cast on the fourth ballot for alternate clerical delegate to the Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America. The Rev. C. H. Berhenke received 37 votes, a necessary majority for election. The President declared the Rev. Berhenke elected the fifth alternate clerical delegate.

Dr. G. K. Rubrecht presented an invitation to Synod to hold its 1943 Convention in North Platte, Nebraska.

Dr. A. O. Frank extended an invitation to Synod to hold its 1943 Convention in Fremont, Nebraska, and then deferred his invitation in favor of North Platte.

The Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of Synod for North Platte as the place of the 1943 Convention. The Secretary cast the ballot and the President announced that the 1943 Convention would be held in the First Lutheran Church at North Platte, Nebraska.

The revised budget for 1943 was presented to Synod by the Secretary. The budget was adopted.

A motion carried that the janitor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Falls City, Nebraska, be allowed five dollars for his services during the Convention.

A motion carried that eleven hundred copies of the Minutes of the 1942 Convention of Synod be printed.

A motion carried that three sets of the Minutes of the past twelve years be bound.

A motion carried that all unfinished business be referred to the Executive Committee.

Dr. C. A. Robertson spoke his appreciation to Synod for the courtesies shown him during his visit at the Convention.

The following officers were installed by the President:

Vice-President.....Dr. C. B. Harman
Secretary.....Rev. T. J. C. Schuldt
Statistician.....Rev. W. H. Saas
Historian.....Dr. G. K. Rubrecht

The final roll call was taken, thirty-six pastors and twenty-one lay delegates responding.

The Formal Order for the closing of Synod was conducted by President J. C. Hershey at 3:50 p. m.

These Minutes are certified to be the correct record of the proceedings of the 70th Annual Convention of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska, convening May 4-6, 1942, in St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Falls City, Nebraska, the Rev. H. C. Cordts, pastor.

J. C. Hershey, President
Thomas D. Rinde, Secretary.

PAROCHIAL REPORT OF T

Index Number	PASTORAL CHARGE (City or Town)	CONGREGATION	When Organized	ADDRESS or Geographical Location		PAST
1	Allen	First	1912	State Highway No. 9	○	Cress, F. L.
2	Auburn	St. Paul's	1884	21st and O Sts.	◉	Henkel, P. W.
3	Beatrice	Trinity	1883	9th and Elks Sts.	⊗	Saas, W. H.
4	Benedict	Zion	1881	Benedict	○	Mortensen, E.
5	Broadwater	United	1934	Broadwater	○	Rohlfing, E.
6	Columbus	United	1930	Columbus	◉	Vacant
7	Dakota City	Emmanuel	1858	Dakota City	○	Vacant
8	Dakota City	Salem	1872	Three miles west of Dakota City	○	Joens, H.
9	Dalton	Trinity	1930	Dalton	○	Rhine, J. S.
10	Davenport	Christ's	1892	Davenport	○	Dumler, H.
11	Eagle	Trinity	1893	Eagle	○	Mendenhall, A
12	Emerson	St. Luke's	1911	Emerson	●	Krebs, G. P.
13	Ericson	First	1898	Ericson	○	Vacant
14	Falls City	St. Paul's	1913	Falls City	◉	Cordts, H. C.
15	Fremont	Salem	1902	East Miltary Ave. and C St.	⊗	Frank, A. O.
16	Grand Island	St. Paul's	1882	503 West 2nd St.	⊗	Rupley, J. B.
17	Gurley	Grace	1916	Gurley	○	Rhine, J. S.
18	Hampton	Emmanuel	1916	Hampton	○	Gigstad, Karl
19	Hardy	St. Paul's	1881	Hardy	○	Delo, F. S. (S
20	Hildreth	St. Paul's	1927	Hildreth	○	Vacant
21	Homer	St. Paul's	1886	Homer	●	Frederick, S.
22	Hooper	Grace	1915	Hooper	●	Alexander, W.
23	Hubbard	Trinity	1905	Hubbard	○	Frederick, S.
24	Leigh	St. John's	1918	Leigh	●	Motzkus, W.
25	Lewellen	Grace	1906	Lewellen	●	Heidenreich, W
26	Lincoln	St. James'	1925	Lincoln	ⓐ	Vacant
27	Lincoln	Grace	1890	14th and F Sts.	ⓐ	Lesber, L. H.
28	McCool Junction	First	1900	McCool Junction	○	Rupley, J. B. J
29	Nebraska City	First	1866	3rd Corso and 9th St.	◉	Schuldt, T. J.
30	North Platte	First	1880	5th and Sycamore	⊗	Rubrecht, G.
31	Omaha	First	1907	2647 North 62nd St.	ⓑ	Berhenke, C.
32	Omaha	Grace	1889	1326 South 26th St.	ⓑ	Goede, H. J.
33	Omaha	Kountze Memorial	1858	2606 Farnam St.	ⓑ	Traub, W. H.
34	Omaha	Luther Memorial	1936	53rd and Seward Sts.	ⓑ	Moeller, G. E
35	Omaha	Redeemer	1917	24th and Larimore Sts.	ⓑ	Vacant
36	Omaha	St. Luke's	1905	24th and I Sts.	ⓑ	Pinkall, A. H.
37	Omaha	St. Mark's	1886	20th and Burdette Sts.	ⓑ	Stump, W. C.
38	Oshkosh	St. Mark's	1906	Oshkosh	●	Heidenreich, W
39	Paxton	Trinity	1902	Paxton	●	Vacant
40	Ponca	Salem	1866	Ponca	●	Livers, W. S.
41	Potter	First	1892	Potter, Nebr.	○	Kahse, W. T.
42	Rising City	First	1881	Rising City, Nebr.	○	Baird, H. V.
43	Scribner	United	1935	Scribner, Nebr.	●	Davis, R. V.
44	Sidney	Trinity	1886	10th Ave. and Lincoln St.	◉	Kahse, W. T.
45	Snyder	Immanuel	1899	Snyder, Nebr.	○	Davis, R. V.
46	South Sioux City	First	1920	21st and A Sts., South Sioux City	◉	Haugse, E. N
47	Spencer	United	1930	Spencer, Nebr.	●	Simon, M. B.
48	Stamford	Trinity	1888	Stamford, Nebr.	○	Henriksen, H.
49	Stella	Trinity	1884	Stella, Nebr.	○	Miller, J. C.
50	Sutherland	Grace	1902	Sutherland, Nebr.	●	Vacant
51	Tekamah	Emmanuel	1858	12th and L Sts., Tekamah, Nebr.	●	Wiegman, P.
52	Vacoma	St. John's	1893	11 miles east of Hooper	○	Alexander, W.
53	Verdon	St. Mark's	1883	3¼ miles southeast Verdon	○	Miller, J. C.
54	Walton	Grace	1916	Walton, Nebr.	○	Mendenhall, A
55	Wayne	St. Paul's	1881	Wayne, Nebr.	◉	Gieschen, G.
56	West Point	Grace	1874	West Point, Nebr.	◉	Klink, W. A.
57	Wilber	First	1889	Wilber, Nebr.	●	de Freese, K.
58	Wolbach	Trinity	1903	Wolbach, Nebr.	●	Harman, C. B.
59	York	First	1927	8th St. and Grant Ave., York Nebr.	◉	Rupley, J. B.

POPULATIONS

◎ Over 100,000
ⓐ 25,000 to 100,000
⊗ 10,000 to 25,000
◉ 2,500 to 10,000
● 500 to 2,500
○ Under 500

HERAN SYNOD OF NEBRASKA

FINANCIAL

Property			Congregational Expense			Congregational Benevolence									
						Unapportioned						Apportioned			
	Total Valuation	Indebtedness	Current	Unusual	Total	Education	Foreign Missions	American Missions	Social Missions	Other Benevolence	Total	Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Total Benevolence	Total Expenditures
	19000	745	1466	226	1692					11	11	661	90	101	1793
	14500		2736	275	3011	20	157	42	392		611	1053	373	984	3995
	36500		1777	123	1900		25	3	52	84	164	524	97	261	2161
	12000		1237		1237	15	26	12	108	20	181	557	286	467	1704
10	3310	1802	1004	94	1188	2	7	1	3	107	120	491	140	280	1448
	11500	2425	715	167	882		4	15	3	6	28	411	120	148	1030
91	6681		23	2	25	1	3	2	5	9	20	38	13	33	58
	17500		1388	638	2026	2		58	84		144	436	149	293	2319
	4350		956		956				51	2	53	496	138	191	1147
	33000		1850	114	1964				24	71	95	1081	185	280	2244
	2000		514		514							245	9	9	523
	30000		1972	544	2516	9	111	22	141	175	458	944	433	891	3407
	1200	140	110		110					4	4	71	2	6	116
	30000	2000	1953	642	2595				240	65	305	2801	888	1193	3788
	99000	35291	7142		7142	32	400	98	165		695	2162	1698	2393	9535
00	44921		5332	1074	6406	54	119		249	71	493	3941	1054	1547	7953
	5550		961	477	1438	5	15		35	41	96	514	250	346	1784
00	5000	107	675	49	724		1		25	26	52	378	16	68	792
	20000		836	68	904	5	26	13	23	16	83	382	21	104	1008
	10500	2040	892		892		18		7		25	500		25	917
00	8800		1369	6220	7589							686			7389
	20000	224	2784		2784			35	14		49	1053	250	299	3083
	3700		717		717		12		5	10	27	354	36	63	780
	11500	1600	929	500	1429		45				75	780	47	122	1551
	6000		863	289	1152		2		79		81	278	85	166	1318
00	37000		5869	670	6539			7	384	570	961	1926	1930	2891	9430
	2425		646	53	699							321	5	5	704
	12000		2116	929	3045	2	56		193	85	336	637	250	588	3631
	110000	10000	6917		6917					443	443	2341	1902	2345	9262
	18000		3940	686	4626	28	44	15	127	12	226	1567	571	797	5423
00	13050		2750	931	3681	3	37		71	108	219	1397	70	280	3970
00	3195000	50000	18801	40445	59336	11	242	6772	1127	385	8537	10596	3669	12206	71542
	20300	11400	912	1757	2669			5	25	22	52	253	257	309	2978
00	25000	7700	5117	11841	16958	14	105	71		190		2417	1370	1580	18518
	745000	31500	5080	5870	10950	16	115	60		149	340	2554	1349	1689	12848
	18500		2204	292	2496	5	178	80	108	40	411	614	360	771	3287
	8500		751		751		14		34		48	236	31	79	830
21	7082		1080	180	1260					10	10	779	247	257	1517
	25000		1861	66	1927	11	83		164	100	358	939	307	665	2592
	6500		374	50	424	5	25		40	6	78	113	50	128	550
5	17525		1258	380	1638	9	23	5	23	65	125	840	244	389	2007
01	1000		1135	100	1235	2	34		10	27	73	949	100	173	1408
	12500		1434		1434	25	40	20	15	25	125	686	432	557	1991
	3500		528	180	708							330	5	5	713
	31500	4975	2980		2980	3	10	4	3	15	35	1109	479	514	3503
	2700	286	1022		1022				15		15	368	39	54	1076
	14500	2300	1066	288	1354			39	57		96	586	131	227	1581
	3500		502	60	562	19	7	10	36	13	85	109	44	129	691
	4000		350	100	450					30	30	47	5	35	485
01	17800		1672	74	1746	2	39			49	90	280	51	141	1887
	2000		290		290		20	8			28	297	85	113	403
	15500		1190	558	1748	15	10	12	235	22	294	647	148	442	2188
	7000		647	267	914				17	14	31	398	28	59	973
	18000		2032	664	2696		39		110	127	276	1053	333	609	3305
	59000		2598	835	3433		44	15	97		156	1435	575	731	4164
	4500		802	188	990							354	86	86	1076
	6500		903		903	1		19			20	552	29	49	1042
	6500		669	110	779		13		18	13	44	420	50	94	873
31	1382904	164085	119045	79094	199039	346	2156	7436	4614	3048	17600	57237	21612	39212	238251
31	1615823	107070	116075	32288	148363	1023	1971	2390	4853	5135	15374	58120	20838	38210	184573

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